Rhodesians capture town 50 miles inside Mozambique

hodesian forces have captured have been eliminated, General Peter ne town of Mapai, some fifty miles side Mozambique and will hold until all the guerrillas in the area

Walls, their commander, said yesterday. He said his troops had killed at least 32 guerrillas

32 guerrillas reported killed

lisbury May 31 General Peter Walls, the preme Commander of the odesian forces, confirmed that has troops were still Mozambique and had occurd the town of Mapai, about miles from the Rhodesian cer. He said the Rhodesian ces would only be with which they had comited their task of eliminating idesian African nationalist rillas in the area and had troyed or removed their annualition, and equipit citches.

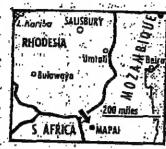
e general told a pressing here that a force of black and white Rhodesian s had entered Mozambique r support at dawn on and had destroyed a y and had destroyed a solution four guerrilla base so and killed at leus; 32 tillas Although opposition been encountered it had speedily overcome. It is incursion began as a wup operation to guerrilla sits in the south-east of lesia. Intelligence reports piapointed the precise on of a base camp ar Rio of a base camp at Rio four miles across the from Vila Salazar. meral Walls said the camp ccupied by guerrillas Zimbabwe African mal Liberation Army la), the guerrilla faction yed to be led by Mr re Mugabe, but not in as numbers as had been

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General Peter Opposition was speedily



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In answer to a question, Gen-eral Walls said that there was nobody in the town of Mapai when it was finally captured.

As far as he knew, no civilians were killed or injured in the action as there had been none there to begin with. There was also no evidence of Mozambique forces having been there al-though they may have been as they were known to assist the Rhodestan guerrillas.

The general said the effect of the raid would be to disrupt the guerrillas' chain of command and upset their logistic. Asked to explain the absence

Asked to explain me ausence of the large number of guerrillas anticipated, General Walls said they may have been withdrawn just prior m the attack or they might have already entered; Rhodesia. Although he would have liked hundreds of guerrillas to have been killed in the operation, he was for disappointed. The he was for disappointed. Rhodesian forces had achieved what they had set out to do.

sent any change of policy regarding anti-guerrilla opera-tions. Rhodesian forces would always indulge to any operation which was an the country's

Asked who had taken the decision so organize the raid; he said it had been the responsibility of the War Council headed by Mr Ian Smith, the Prime Ministers. Prime Minister.

The actual decision in terms

General Walls declined to say if any prisoners had been cap-tured. He denied Mozambique

reports that Rhodesian aircraft had been shot down, saying no Rhodesian aircraft were missing. The raid had been organized as part of the defence of Rhodesia and the maintenance of law and order.

He could give no firm indication of when the Rhodesian
force would be withdrawn.
A separate official communique later said that four
minuters of the Rhodesian
sectivity force, one white and
three black, had been killed in
Mozambique.

Meanwhile, the entire joint board of directors of the Rhodesian Broadcasting Cor-poration and Rhodesian Television resigned today. The Government issued a statement saying that it had decided to reorganize the structure of the broadcasting system and the board of governors had resigned in order to assist this.

vision have been rigidly right wing and pro-Government in their news policies their news policies since the Rhodesian Pront came to power. Until the past few months Opposition voices have been almost entirely excluded from the strayer.

Maputo, May 31.—Air Mugabe today said that the incursions into Mozambique by Rhodesian forces were "calculated provocative acts" and "the last kicks of a dying horse".

naked aggression" were a ploy to:, coincide-, with the latest Anglo-American attempts to seek a constitutional settle

nrho sues 29 big oil companies for alleged sanction breaking

the international pr. company, and its beque/Rhodesia pricline ry have issued writs in igh Court claiming dam-against 29 oil companies gencies for allegedly sup-

uce of sanctions. who is believed to be g about £100m. Among mpanies being sued are:
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Zambia. As a result, Mr Row-land claimed, the company had been threatened by the South African Government. bique Rodesia SARL, are claim-ing damages for breach of con-tract, unlawful interference with contract, conspiracy, neg-Mr. Rowland alleged that Mr. ligence and the committing of

Mir Rowland alleged that Mr ligence spd the combatting of Brand. Fourie, the South African Foreign. Affairs Secretary, had told one of Lonrho's representatives that unless Mr Rowland stopped giving evit dence against oil firms. "We will pull the trigger on you". Mr Rowland took this to mean that Lonrho's subsidiaries in South Africa would be prosecuted. Mr Fourie-subsequently denied making the threat, but Lonrho has kept to its story.

The background to the action is the closure by Lonrho, at the time of the imposition of sanctions in 1965, of its off pipeline between Beira and Feruka, which had the contract to supply oil to Rhodesia. However, despite the closure, Rhodesia has still received oil.

Lonrho and its subsidiary, Companhia do Pipeline Moçam-



Siege gunmen ask for | Ministry help of a mediator

Assen, Holland, May 31.— South Moluccan gunner hold-ing 59 people hostoge today asked for a mediator to try to end Holland's two eight-day

The mediation request apnonewall tactics in dealing with the guerrillas who have 55 hostages on a hijacked train at Glimmen and four teachers in a primary school at nearby Bovensmildo

When they mok over line train and the school last week, the gunmen said they would shoot any middlemen Covernment sent to talk to

A special squad of Durch marines has been practising with an armour-plated train, rehearsing for a possible assault, drink has been delivered to the on the immobilized express train. A blood pressure gauge

justice Ministry officials confirmed that the rehearsals, which were disclosed by a Dirch newspaper, have been going on in a shunting yard at Haren, six miles from the siege. But they said the armoured train would be used only if the lives of the hostages were in imminent danger. imminent danger.

During the siege of another train and the Indonesian Con-sulate in Amsterdam in December, 1975, moderate leaders of the 40,000 South Moluccan exiles in Holland, including their solf-styled president. Mr Johannes Menutama, acted as mediators and helped to persuade the guninen to surrender. Authorities disclosed vesterday that the gunden were no longer insisting their hostages should fly out of the country with them. Even 50, the Goveroment is saving no final solu-tion is in sight, because the guumen's promises and conces-sions have often been taken back again in their next conversation with the authorities.

The train gummen are no enument to help them achieve longer linked with the guertheir aim of independence for rillus in the village school. A their island homeland. Reuter,

telephone line installed last week-is no longer working and the Covernment has refused to

While the Government met in The Hagne, to discuss the mediation request, Mrs Toos Faber, a Justice Ministry official, said all negotiations on the guamen's demand for a get away place to take them and 21 jailed compatriots out of the country to an unknown destina-tion had been suspended.

Today officials again ansoc-cessfully pleaded with the guerrillas to release one of the train hostages, Mrs Melleke Elienbrock-Prinsen, who is gummen to talk to a gynae-cologist in Assen over a field

Meanwhile more food and ably for use by a woman medi-cal student who is looking after Mrs Effenbroek-Prinsen The consignment also

cluded more cleaning material and disinfectant. Two or three gunmen could be seen on the track beside the four-coach express, rossing rubbish down the embankment. . South Moluccan nationalists

today sent an open latter to the Dutch Government calling for a political gesture to end the sieges. They offered to act as mediators.
The letter, issued by the Free South Moluccan Youth and the Liberation Front of the Repub-lic of the South Moluccas; con-

demaed the Government for concentrating on the fate of the hostages and for ignoring what it said were the wider issues involved. The letter called on the Coverament to take a political stand on the South Molaccan

demands that it bring pressure to bear on the Indonesian Gov-

delays ICT company car scheme

By Christopher Thomas Labour, Reporter Two thousand senior tives at ICI who were Two thousand senior execu-tives at ICI who were due to get company cars today for the first time have been told that they will have to wait because the Department of Employment has intervened.

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The executives in a safary range between 78.589 and 512,000, were given the option of a rise of 54 a week in line with the glasse two gay policy of, a company cur valued at about \$2,000, it emerged yesterday that his Booth, Secretary of State for Employment, met Sir Rowland Wright, the company's theirmen, early lest week to express.

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On that calculation the company has offered three desis, to its executives. First, a straight 1208 pay rise under the terms of phase two secondly a car of up to 1300cc plus a siss of 133 a year thirdly a car of up to 1300cc int width a paye men hade to the company of 151 a year.

The usure has nonsear mixed leelings among trade unions of Scientific, Technical and Managerial Staffs wants the executive to get their cars. However, the shoploor unions are inveiling to let sensor men receive a new benefit without some sort of bonus reaching lower down the grades. The entire ICI workforce becomes due for its annual increases throughout July.

ICI said, yesterday that the compony would meet the coass of insusance, road fund licence and maintenance, as well as fembursing petrol used of company business. The cars would be British.

Company cars, page 21.

Patients sent out because of

1964 pay dispute

Hundreds of patients at the
London Hospital's two sizes ar
Whitechapel and Mile Rud in
the East End, are being discharged to try to reduce the
total from 1,250 to between 300°
and 400 by next week.

All admissions, including
emergencies have been stopped

emergencies, have been stopped as the result of protest action by 1,200 ancillary workers over a dispute about agreed, over time that should have been paid since 1964. Because of ambiguities in the agreement several hospital groups did not pay the extra money until two years

ago.

The Department of Health and Social Security has agreed that the overtime should be paid, but not at soday's pay peid, but not at soday's pay rates as the workers denisted.

Their action, which comprises working to rule, strikes and overtime bans, started last Monday and has affected catering, laundry and other services.

The 1,250 parients last night, for example, had soitp and said-wiches instead of their normal evening meak.

Theatre strikers back at work today after decision on arbitration

The National Theatre strike, Friday, is to go to arbitration. That I was agreed last night

The decision, which came too late to save last night's per-formances; was made after the other members of the National Association of Theatiful Television and Kine Employees at the theatre had had discussions with the strikers. The strikers said they would agree to a birration subject to minimal agree mant, of its form. Magnithle.

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that is wishin the previsions of the current National Theatre, NATIKE agreement.

They would be prepared to return to work they said if Mr. Raim. Cooper, the plumber whose dismissal led to the spike, was reinstated pending the outcome of the arbitration. That was the offer made to Saturday by the management, but rejected by the smilkers who wanted Mr. Chopper to be reinstated instandationally.

Mr John Wilson, general secre-The National Theart strike, but join the men's usion, and the complex's tary of the men's usion, and there theart closed since last mounced the dismissal from their union jobs of the stop that was agreed last night stewards who led the strike in cluding Mr Konrad Fredericks. their leader. He also warned the rest of the strikers of the possibility that they would be disciplined if they did use 50 back they could be dis from the union or fined £100.

The union had supported Air Peter Hall director of the National Theories who had instand that the central issue lay in maintaining agreed dispute the procedures. pute procedures.

The National has lost about \$30,000 in bookings during the

Council expressed concern- 2t biggest theatre clients. Mr Bernard Brook Patridge. Countil's arts committee, said the strike had imperilled the theatre's 1850,000 grant. It was not elected", he said, " to be a battomless purse for industrial

going into the meeting that he and the other newards did not consider that they had brought the union into discepute or acted contrary to the members interests. They fine union's officials! have the authority in suspend us, but in our opinion we have not broken aby rules.

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New Post Office chairman.

By Makolm Brown

Mr George (Bill) Barton, chairman and chief executive of Randome Broffman Pollard, the bell-bearing modulationers is to succeed Sigwilliam Rylaid as chairman efficie. Mr Barton, aged 52, will take over when Sir William retires on October 31: Sir William decided to give up the chairman. on October 31. Sir William de-cided to give up the desirman-ship several counts esgliar than expected to allow his suc-tessor as much time as possible to cope with the difficulties of reconstructing the obtained the that are likely to follow the Carter committee investigation into the Post Office.

The new chairman's salary will be 123.30, the Department of talking and refriends.



Mr Barlow : A drop in salary

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of £20,000 ed on by favourite

nubet of \$20,000 was placed with ron bookmaker yesterday on br. Groom, the favourite for this di s Derby at Epsom. The Aga di ench-trained colt is expected lateirm first choice in the market pel the Irish challenger. The bn whom Lester Piggott will beg his eighth Derby victory. Page 8

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multinational companies of Frong Britain's recovery, Mr Sir., a national organizer of the ut id Municipal Workers' Union, Johusand jobs were threatened Narcision to build a 5250m plant for . He said firms wagged the perse here in other parts of the A Page 2

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a m. Secretary of State for It, has dashed the hopes of Nati workers who planned to have ettlements due on July 1 Reacceptation of doing better I : three. He says the 12appo for pay agreements will Natio be observed Page 2

Integration setback

for disabled pupils

The Warnock committee looking into
the integration of handicapped children
in normal schools is likely to recommend that the Government should lay
down stringent conditions on the training of teachers and adaptation of buildings before such integration can take
place. That means that it will be some
years before handicapped children can
go to normal schools and will disoppoint organizations fighting on their
behalf

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US plutonium envoy Mr Gerard Smith, who negotiated the Salt I arms limit treaty with the Soviet Union, is to be President Carter's special envoy in the difficult talks over nuclear fuel controls with America's allies, disturbed by Mr Carter's proposals to end the use of plutonium in nuclear power plants Page 6

Wales beat England Wales won at Wembley for the first time, beating England 1-0 and now lead the home international champion-

ship. James, scored the only goal, a penalty, just before half time Norman Fox, Page 10 Home News 2,4 | Court European News 4,5 | Crossword Overseas News 5-7 Diary
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France may impose a price freeze

A sharp rise in the infinition rate in April is causing the French Government concern. It is thought that it may freeze some prices or restrict profit margins. Fruit and vegetable dealers are blamed for much of the rise in inflation in a report now with M Robert Boulin, the Finance Minister Page 4

City resignation

Mr Gordon Dunlop has resigned his £53,400 a year job as chief executive of Commercial Union, the company said he was offered significant compensation and that terms had been agreed for an ex-gratia payment which "are sanisfactory to both parties and are fair and reasonable"

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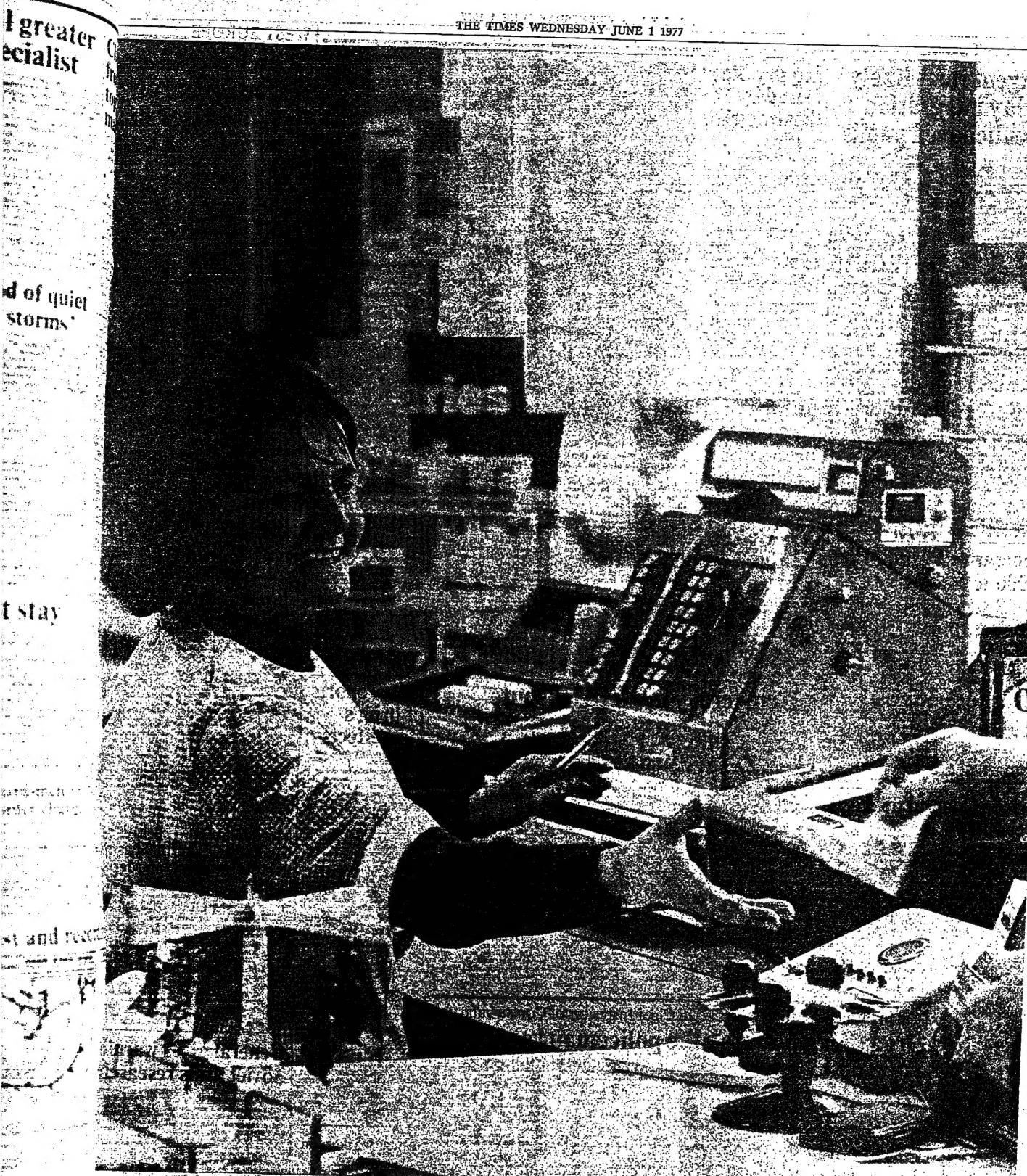
Letters: On Causerbury and Rome, from Professor H. E. Root and Dr T. D. Remning; on preserving our haritage, from Lord Montagu of Baudien, and Lord Camoys; and on energy policy, from Mr Anthony D. Woolf Leading articles: United States policy to-wards Third World; Terrorism in EEC

wards Third World; Terrorism in EEC countries
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Self service with a smile.

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Stringent rules likely to delay integration of handicapped pupils

The committee, under Mrs Mary Warnock, research fellow at Sr Hugh's College, Oxford, at Sr Hugh's College, Oxford, will lay down stringent conditions for trained teachers, buildings and equipment before a school can accept any of the 200,000 estimated children with special handicaps, mental or physical.

recommendations Their recommendations would be against the trend to integrate handicapped children wherever possible into ordinary schools, which has been supported by the Government. They would disappoint some representing organizations representing handicapped children but delight the National Union of Teachers and other teachers' associations who would like to association for special educa-tion increased rather than diminished.

The committee, which was set up in 1974, is determined to forestall any mad rush by local education authorities to close special schools for handiclose special schools for handi-capped children for economic reasons. They are particularly disturbed by Oxford education authority's attempts to close one of its special schools on the ground that the Waroock committee is almost certain to come out in favour of integra-tion

Handicapped children will not be integrated into normal schools for some years if the likely recommendations of the likely recommendations. The likely recommendations of the likely recommendations of the likely recommendations of the likely recommendations. The likely recommendations of the likely recommendations of the likely recommendations of the likely recommendations. The likely recommendations of the likely recommend

one and has yet to be implemented. It is unlikely that Mrs Williams, Secretary of State for Education and Science, can resist pressure from her left wing to refrain from imple-menting it beyond the begin-

The Warnock committee, which has already agreed on the shape of its final report and drafted the introduction, hope to place the completed version in her hands by Feb-ruary in time to deaden the impact of the new section of

impact of the new section of the 1976 Act.

Their report will probably come out in favour of special schools continuing to exist for most handicapped children for many years to come, Handi-capped children will not be allowed into ordinary schools until the conditions are right. That would involve the teachers, who would be teachteachers, who would be teach-ing the handicapped in ordinary schools, being given fur-ther training and in time having to gain special qualificamodified to meet new

The committee is also plan-ning a radical revision of the committee is almost certain to come out in favour of integration.

Last year the Government preempted the committee's findings when it approved section 10 of the Education Act, 1976. That changed the empha-

Co-operative Party giving £10,000 to Labour

An interim grant of £10,000 is to be given to the financially strained Labour Party by its electoral ally, the Co-operative Party, it was announced yesterday. The Co-op's political wing will be reviewing what further helo might be given.

air David Wise, general secretary of the Co-operative Party, told delegates to the Co-operative movement's annual Co-operative movement's annual congress in Blackpool yesterday that it was aware that in the past few years the rising costs of financing British politics had changed dramatically. The Labour Party provided much of the work and carried the burden of an electoral machine

from which the Co-op benefited in sponsoring 15 MPs. The special payment into Transport House reflects the Co-operative Party's electoral pact with the Labour Party, allowing up to 30 Co-op-backed candidates in a general election.

The Co-operative Party is not directly affiliated to the Labour Bacter.

The congress was told that Mr Len Murray, TUC general secretary, and Mr Ronald Hay-ward, general secretary of the Labour Party, will be working with the Co-operative Party in reviewing the future of the moribund National Council of Labour. Their report on the machinery for bringing together the three wings of the Labour movement will be ready this

Solicitor General dozed, and crashed car

Mr Peter Archer, QC, the Morris 1000 Traveller had both Solicitor General, dozed while driving along a motorway and crashed his car into a barrier, magistrates at Coleshili, Warwickshire, were told yesterday. Mr Archer, aged 50, Labour MP for Coventry, South, for the defence, said it was another at Clements Road, Chorley Wood, Hertfordshire, was fined \$75 with a licence endorsement for driving without due care and attention. He was not in court but pleaded guilty.

Inspector David Teagle, for the prosecution, said that in the linear motors and the had intended carching up on his sleep."

Instead, he was invited to

for driving without due care and attention. He was not in court but pleaded guilty.

Inspector David Teagle, for the prosecution, said that in the accident, on the southbound carriageway of the M6 at Coventry on March 13, a barrier was damaged and Mr Archer's

£383,000 paid

disaster victims From Our Correspondent Chesterfield

Chesterfield
Claims totalling £383,000
arising from the disaster at
Markham colliery in Derbyshire on July 30, 1973, have
been settled by the National
Coal Board. Eighteen miners
were killed and 11 others were

seriously injured when the pit-

cage crashed.

Mr Peter Heathfield, secretary of the Derbyshire branch of the National Umon of Mineworkers, said that in most cases the board had accepted liability. With only a few exceptions all claims had been settled.

of the 11 men seriously in-jured, five were still unable to work. Three cases were still outstanding because the medical

prospects were still uncertain.

A public inquiry was held after the disaster, and a survey

was made of all winding engines

in the British coalfield. Mr Heathfield said the inquiry's recommendations had been

carried out to the letter and new safety standards and tech-niques had been adopted.

to colliery

Instead, he was invited to join constituents on a fishing trip at Warley. The accident happened as he was returning.

Mr William Griffiths, a senior official of the National Union of Public Employees and a member of the Whitley Council who was appointed OBE for

In less than 30 years Mr
Colin Woods has risen frombeing a humble "bobby" on
the beat in the West End of
London to become Chief Inspector of Constabulary, the
most exalted police post in the

His appointment which was announced by the Home Office

yesterday, takes effect from the end of next month on the

The son of a policeman, Colin Philip Joseph Woods, aged 57, has risen to the peak of his profession by dogged hard work and devotion to the

Metropolitan Police force, of which he is at present deputy commissioner. While many of his contemporaries have gladly

bathed in the glare of publi-city in an attempt to further always shown a re their careers, Mr Woods has public recognition.

By Clive Borrell Crime Correspondent

Inquiry bias feared by theatre strike leader

By Alan Hamilton

All signs of an industrial dispute were absent from the stage door of the National Theatre yesterday afternoon, when pickets deserted their posts to attend the mass meeting that eventually led to the decision to accept arbitration. Lord Rayne, chairman of the National Theatre Board, and Mr Peter Hall, the theatre's director, walked in to the meeting unmolested except for the atten-tions of television comeramen.

Because of the strike there had been no productions in the National's three theatres since last Friday. Last night the Olivier should have been showing Tales From The Vienna Woods, and the Lyttelton State Of Revolution, Robert Bolt's play about the Russian revolution. The small Cotteshe theatre was booked for a dress re-hearsal, but that, too, had to be called off.

About 75 members of the National Association of Theatri-National Association of Theatrical, Television and Kine Employees, the stagehands' union, have been on unofficial strike. They are mainly from the National's electrical and mechanical services departments, which look after maintenance of the control building. the entire building.

Some other members of the union, chiefly from the theatre's workshop, have been refusing to cross the picker lines, but the other 300 union members employed in the theatre complex have been reporting for work normally. The strike was unofficial, and was condemned by Mr John Wilson, general secretary of the union.

The dispute is over the dismissal of Mr Radph Cooper, a plumber and member of the union. Last October he was given a written warning, in accordance with union agreements, about "the content of his work and his attitude". He was given a second warning on given a second warning on November 23, with the specific

The Royal Commission on the

National Health Service will be asked to examine the wider implications of responsibilities of appointed statutory bodies in the aftermath of the hurried reconstitution of Solihull Area

Health Authority, it was stated

Former members who have lost their positions said the matter might also be the sub-

ject of an adjournment debate in the Commons.

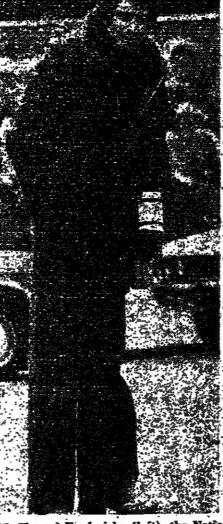
replaced at the urgent request of Mr Ennals, Secretary of State for Social Services. Among them are some who were

anxious to dismiss the author-ity's three chief officers last September, but because there

was no precedent for such an action they were persuaded to agree to a tribunal of inquiry suggested by a permanent official of the Department of Health and Social Security.

Man in the news: From a 'bobby' to Chief Inspector of Consta bulary

Organizing powers take policeman to the top





Mr Konrad Fredericks (left), the National Theatre shop steward who led the unofficial strike over the dismissal of Mr Ralph Cooper (right), on picket duty yesterday.

present at the warnings, and that they should have been given in the presence of the

chief shop steward. The chief shop steward is Mr Konrad Fredericks, an assistant master carpenter, but at the time of the warnings he was suspended from his union post after another strike at the National last year and pending a new election for a chief shop steward. Mr Fredericks won back his post in the new elec-On May 17 Mr Cooper was

November 23, with the specific complaint that he was not carrying our his supervisor's instructions.

Both warnings were given in the presence of Mr Roger Wraight, another theatre employee and a member of the local branch of the union. The strikers say Mr Wraight was not a competent official to be against to reconsider the discovery of the strikers called for Mr Cooper's National Theatre.

On May 17 Mr Cooper was have involved examination of the involved examination of the involved examination of the strikers, and the presence of the case by several committees, him from his post of chief shop steward last year.

He has also said that any independent inquiry into the dispute would be bound to be and on May 23 Mr Cooper was by the strikers, and on May 27 biased against the strikers of the stage and pro-although the strikers did demand at Arts Council inquiry strikers say Mr Wraight was not a competent official to be

service since 1948, is one of those replaced.

He said: "The most important question that has emerged is whether the health service is democratically or bureaucratically controlled.

"Here was 2 structure we were supposed to manage and had managed in the light of our knowledge and experience. But the question raised by the minister's actions and our dis-

bers had spent much of their time doing the work of the chief officers and converting a deficit of more than £400,000 a year ago into a credit, only to be dismissed and replaced

with less experienced people.

The tribunal had recom-

'Democracy in NHS' dispute

ments out on unofficial strike, and theatre productions came to

The theatre management immediately approached the union's general secretary, who suggested that Mr Cooper should be suspended on full pay pending completion of the discount o pute procedure, which would have involved examination of

do so under the 1973 reorgani-tation Act but declined to use it. It was thought the powerful appeal machinery available to the three officers and the lack of precedent might have influ-enced his views particularly as

enced his views, particularly as appointed members had no appeal against dismissal.

his voluntary work in the health mended that the three officers service since 1948, is one of should lose their jobs because

minister's actions and our dis-missals is: 'Had we the right to manage or not?'"

Mr Griffiths said he would insether would have in the in-

His strength has been his ability to manage and organize; qualities that will be missed by the metropolitan force, which is still trying to regain its former "wonderful" On the day in 1972 when he

regain its former "wonderful"
image.

Had he decided on a career in commerce when he left finchley Grammar School just before the war, there is little doubt that he would have been offered a board room seat many years ago.

His directorial qualities were first noticed in 1968, when he was placed in charge of the many seat in charge of the was placed in charge of the was commissioner and architect of the new management services department. The next year he became Commandant of the National Police College at Bramshill.

From the heady academic

missal, but was fold that it unconditional reinstatement, but the management repeated its.

At 6.30 pm on May 26 Mr offer to reinstate him pending redericks led the electrical the outcome of arbitration.

A full-time official of the

and a former understudy in the nude revue Oh! Calcutta!, has said during the dispute that the union had no right to suspend him from his post of chief shop

their proved ineffectiveness in the past.

There is reason for alarm. Last amounts are drought was blamed for shortages and high prices. This spring, it was the spell of vert weather than was to blame. But, according in a ratiolity report now with M. Robert housin, the Minister of Finance, it seems that whole-salers and middlesten are using the efficuse of the weather, be it hot or cold, wet or dry to fine their pockets at the expense of both the pobleces and the consumer. The Government had expected the price index in April to be bad, because of increases in fares last morah. But the figures are worse than it had feared. Food prices went up by 1.6 per cent compared with March, or 16.5 per cent over the past three mouths in comparison with last year, while fruit and vegetables rose by 1.6 per cent, or 20 per cent on an annual basis. by 1.6 per cent, or 20 per cent on an annual basis. n an annual basis. the real core o offer to reinstate him pending the outcome of arbitration.

A full-time official of the union said yesterday: "You cannot force these people to work. They are frustrated with the union because we have been unable to solve it, and we are the only people they can kick."

"Mr Fredericks, a Trockyist and a former understudy in the Roman nobility at amunists

WEST EUROPE.

responsible for the unusually high rise in prices in April At 1.3 per cent; this was the worst since 1974.

worst since 1974.

It is causing the Government concern, in spite of the equan-

French consider pr

inflation rises shar

freeze as rate of

steward last year.

He has also said that any independent inquiry into the dispute would be bound to be biased against the strikers, although the strikers did demand at Arts Council inquiry

of drug's should lose their jobs because of their inability to work to gether but thought they could play a valuable part in the service's forme separately.

The regroud health authority, when it saw the report, urged. Mr Remais to suspend the three on full pay, but he declined, saying it was inappropriate until the authority bad been reconstituted.

The authority was concerned.

was windcrawn from general use in July, 1975.

Of the newly reported cases of damaging side-effects, 300 had suffered from eye reactions, which include destruction of the teer glands and in some cases blindness. Side keactions, such as rashes, sching, itching and cracking, have been reported in about 150 new cases, and there are 50 fresh complaints of desiness apparently causeed by the thing. Sixty other patients have developed scherosing peritornits, a condition in which layers of the digestive system. Iming are fused, necessifising surgical creatment.

Mr. Therney, who has been pressing for an official independent and public inquiry into the use and effects of the drug, was also told that the Government is not considering any additional investigation. Several advisory bodies are already examining issues arising from use of the drug.

Offered new Jobs

By Our Home Affairs
Correspondent
Mr David Lane, chairman of
the Commission for Racial
Equality, has offered new jobs
to two leading race relations
workers after a dispute about
their future.

Metabers of the Association
of Scientific, Technical and
Managerial Staffs at the Community Relations Commission
went on strike when Mr
Surendra Kumar and Mr Aaron
Haynes, who are employed
there, were not appointed to
Rois they sought at their previous level in the new Commission for Racial Equality,
which replaces the Community which replaces the Community Relations Commission and Race Relations Board

On the panel were Mr. Baskir On the paner were not passer.
Man, a deputy chairman of the
new commission, and two other
commission members. Mr A. N. Wison, group personnel direc-tor of Tootal, and Mr William Morris, district secretary of the Transport and General Transport and General Workers' Union in North-

New reports side-effects

more reports in the pest 12 months of patients suspected of suffering adverse reactions to Brakkin. The figure, given by Mr Moyle, Minister of State for Health and Social Security, in a parliamentary written reply to Mr Sydoes Tierney, MP for Electrophers. Birmingham, Yardley, brings the total number of reports to

probably submit those views to the royal commission. He and Dr A. Rees Iones, a former industrialist, who has been replaced as chairman, thought that what happened to them outside Solibuit for the three and the others as Solibuil might have an inhibiting effect on people serving voluntarity on similar bodies.

Dr Rees Iones said these with the power to. Eraldin was marketed by ICI from 1970, and prescribed to an estimated 250,000 people for treatment of angina before it was withdrawn from general use in July, 1975.

Race workers in dispute are offered new jobs

Under procedure agreed for such disputes, a review panel recommended that the original decision should be reconsidered.

ampton.
Mr Lane has offered Mc Kumar a post in Manchesser and Mr Haynes a similar one in Birmingham. They will hand the man commission? head the new commission's offices there.

It is causing the Government concern, in spite of the equanturity displayed by M Raymond.

Bette the Prime Minister, in a courselves to payin more for fruit gables. The will have it may decide to cluding the practic profit inargins, in spite of its disease for such methods and their provent ineffectiveness in the past. now all the fruit : immediately. The ducers are co destroy iruit an

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over Lefebvre visit

Rome, May 31

Princes Aspreno Colonna, assistant to the Papel Throne, assistant to the Papel Papel as a said the Assistant to the Papel Throne, assistant to the Papel Papel Papel as a said the cold to the Colon to the

Monday.

The invitation to Mar Lefebvre has come from Princess Elvina Pallavicini whose home is beneath the Quirmale Palace, now the seat of the Italian head of state but formerly the summer palace of the popes. More than one cardinal has tried to persuade her to withdraw the invitation.

Members of the Sacred College who are said to have intervened personally include Cardinal Nasalli Rocco, of noble family, himself, and Cardinal Pignedelli who is close to the Pope.

Pope. of the Church of the Church of the Church of the Mgr Lefebvre is to give a talk their feelings of explaining his views to the 400 total fidelity."

speak for the n whole, though it is

More tests of wind power likely in Sweden | murder st

Stockholm, May 31.—An enlarged programme to make use of energy from the wind may be amounted by the Swedish government later this year. At least one large-scale plant would be built as part of this year. this scheme.

This was revealed today by Mr Olof Johannson, the Energy Minister, He said mounting costs of Another school other energy sources justified Kracker, aged a revaluation of wind energy, serious head w The capacity of the pilot plant opened today is 50 kilo-warts, about enough to supply several households with all their power.

British ai held as gi Linz, Austria, man Philip Stepl from 50 Rock

from 50 Rock stationed at 1 Germany, was today on suspic murdered a 13-ye mindered a 13-ye schoolgirl.

The girl, Chi had been bludge with a hammer Steeg, on Lak Angher school attack. She later emergency of Airman Stephe 13 British zirme the site in Austi

General gives warnin Soviet arms research

By Henry Stanhepe Defence Correspondent The Soviet Union was spend-

ing more on military research and development than were all and development than were all the Western allies together. General R. H. Ellis, Nato's air chief in London yesterday. The allies should expect a continuing sums build-up by the Warsaw Pact and technological improvements that could place the West at such a disadvantage that the behance of power fight naver be recovered, he said. General Ellis told the fifteenth Anglo-American aeronautical conference that Russian air power in the for-Russian air power in the for-ward area of Nato's central air forces had region had increased by about guage in whit 10 per cent in 10 years. New multi-role aircraft were cap-

The Warsaw 3,000 tactical forward area, 1, rery
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alliance.
General Ellis
General For

Prince Fahd tells From Palestinians must re From Our Own Correspondent rights of the

Prince Fahd ibn Abdel Aziz, Asked about Asked about oil embargo, r Egyptian Fo the Crown Prince and deputy Egyptian Prime Minister of Saudi AraPrince Fahd

Dia, who arrived in Paris yes
rerday on his way home from ing its views

They are wel morning at the Rlysee Palace
with President Gistard d'Estaing, and was subsequently
emertanced to a working lean-Philippe huncheon with his delegation, including the Foreign and Oil

Ministers.

Egyptian Fo.
Prince Fahd

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The Elysee
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He said on leaving the in the Middle least which clear warning subjects discussed were the prospects for would not se the restoration of a just peace of peace to in the Middle East which clear warning togically, must recognize the Government.

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From today most hotels, inns and guest houses should be giving their customers advance notice in writing of what their accommodation will cost. That is the main feature of a new voluntary code of prac-tice introduced on the initiative not been many complaints from rourists, "but there is a general of the Department of Trade. awareness that the total bill

New code of practice for

hotels comes in today

Where no advance booking By Our Consumer Affairs has been made the card will Correspondent also state whether the accommo-dation offered is standard throughout the hotel, or that the charges for other classes of rooms may be seen on request. The British Tourist Authority said yesterday that there had

sometives comes as an un-pleasant surprise".

The Department of Trade does not regard the code as a Under the code, customers booking in at reception should receive a card setting out the total charge for the room, and final solution. It is discussing with local authority associations which meals are included in the hooking. Basic particulars about the accommodation, such as whether it has a private bath-room or is in an annexe, will also be specified.

maximum and minimum over-night charges compulsory in all botels.

Derby to be on ITV in spite of editing dispute By a Staff Reporter

Mr Colin Woods: Dogged

always shown a reluctance for

hard work.

The Derby will be shown on independent television today although production assistants at Thames Television are still in dispute with the company over the operation of a new editing system. Other pro-grammes that await editing are still to be boycotted.

The partial return to normal

tion assistants to have talks with their union, the Association of Cinematograph, Television and Allied Technicians. They are account of the continuing fail their union, the Association of Cinematograph, Television and Allied Technicians. They are demanding extra payment for operating the new system. Thames has said it would break the pay code if it paid extra.

A more stable population structure is predicted

ment. The next year he became commandant of the National Police College at Bramshill. From the heady academic atmosphere of the college he was transferred to take charge of the traffic department at Scotland Yard, probably the least gramble and certainly the least glamorous post in the London force.

The latest figures take of pensioners, account of the continuing fall rull details are to be published soon through the Stationer immigration than in pre-population. Projections, 1976-vious projections. They show 2016, Series PP2 No 8.

a fall in the total population Correspondent of nearly 300,000 between 1976

During the next 30 years and 1982 from 49,200,000 to

Britain will come much nearer 48,900,000. Thereafter the total than has been supposed to grows steadily to just over \$1 achieving a stable population, million in 2016.

lim.

As her Majesty's new Chief Inspector of Constabulary Mr Woods will lack the jovial flain-boyance of Sir James Haughton, but, peppeared with his: waspishwit, the job will be done thoroughly.

than has been supposed to achieving a stable population, according to the latest official estimates, by the Office of Population Censuses and Surveys, published yesterday.

The population in England and Wales in 2001 is now put at 50,500,000, about a million fewer than the estimate last year, and only 1,300,000 more than the present population.

The last few years of the projection show the beginning of a big increase in the number of pensioners.

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rospece executives ver the world, he e zirliner would be te experience which built up on the C 1-11 airliner, and 10 per cent of exist-ponents: He said it a relatively low-cost

ject is very suitable ipation by other countries, and equisharing arrange-already been pro-

will be powered by jet eagines which being jointly deve-the French and tes zircraft indus-

wick also told the y The Financial British Aerospace thorough eval-its European

the greater proporrafe production will International, said that the seriously



A replica of the aircraft in which Lindbergh flew the Atlantic 50 years ago has Concorde

Several speakers at the condominated the world market for airliners. Mr Alan Buley, President of Fokker-VFW

North American factories. But the market.
it will be for the greater good. The United States industry
of us all if a smaller, but still would be better off if it did signed at the weekend between Britain and Romania provides of 50 British air-

the protocol stage, is regarded by senior executives of the Brithe most important in which the industry has been involved for

many years.
It is the first to be signed by Romanians will set up a production line and by 1985 should be making complete auliners. In the meantime, large portions of the aircraft will be

Democratic Movement for Change Ecevit resumes coalition talks but is still unhappy over Dayan offer

Tel Aviv, May 31

The Democratic Movement for Change agreed to resume coalition negotiations with Likud tonight after being assured all Cabinet appointments were still open, but it hinted that it might refuse to enter a government if Mr.

ereign Minister In a letter to Mr Beigin, the Likud leader; Professor Yigael Yadin, of the Democratic Movement, conceded that each party in the coalition would have the right to select its own representatives for the Cabinet, but he added: "There are excepterty must take into account party must take into account the assignment of a portfolio to a certain personality in deciding whether to joint the Govern-

Earlier today, in a bid to mollify the Movement, which

Israel told the United States

today that President Carter's

pronouncements concerning a

Middle East peace appeared to

be stiffening Arab intransigence.

ter, summoned Mr Samuel

Lewis, the new American Am-

bassador, to larusalem today

Mr Allon, the Foreign Minis-

From Our Correspondent

Tel Aviv, May 31....

tou their knowledge, Mr Begin had written to Professor Yadin that he had proposed the post to Mr Dayan but had not appointed him. Each party in the coalition, however, would

be able to appoint its own representatives in the Cabinet. He seemed to be indicating that Likud would appoint Mr Dayan as a mapority of its exe-cutive has favoured the appoint-

The Democratic Movement has 15 seats in the Knesset and, without their support, Mr Begin will be able to form only o very narrow coalition, with the suport of religious parties. The National Religious Party has agreed in principle to join and Likud negotiators today held their first meeting with representatives of the smaller Agudat Israel Party, an ortho-

Likud's own strength in the Knesset rose today to 45 as

about the trend of American policy, Mr Allon is understood

to have said that President Carter was raising Arab expec-

tations unrealistically by speak-ing of compensation for the

Palestinians and of a homeland. The Saudi Arabians have already interpreted the remarks

as support for a Palestinian

The Israelis said these ele-

to the fold with an associate. The general had been elected a Likud deputy in 1973, but resigned to take up an Army appointment.

. He had wanted to return to the party in April before nomi-nations for the Knesset elecleaders objected on the ground that he was a troublemaker. He stood under rival colours and was elected with another man. Jerusalem President Katzir continued his consultations with party leaders before

choosing a deputy to give a mandate to form a government.
Tel Aviv, May 31.—The wife
of Mr Yimhak Rabin, the Prime of Mr Yinanak Rabin, the Frime of 250,000 Israeli pounds (about £15,600) for holding a bank account in the United States. Mrs Rabin's case led to Mr Rabin's resignation as leader of the Labour-Party early in April.

—Agence France-Presse.

Israel voices alarm over Carter policy Security Council resolutions 242 and 338 which the United States framework for progress towards

The resolutions apoke of a "just sertlement of the refugee problem" and did not mention Palestinians at all. Mr Carter's references to a homeland and to compensation were apparently Assembly resolutions which the

victory in Turkish polls likely

Ankara, May 31

The popular belief in Turkey that Mr Bulent Ecevir's Repub-lican People's Party (RPP) will win a majority or at least enough seats to form a govern-ment, in next Sunday's elections was reinforced today by a poil conducted by the newspaper

The Ankara daily, which for the past week has been record-21 milion voters, gave the RPP 208 of the 450 sears in the Assembly. This would probably be enough to permit the former

Demirel, the present Prime Minister, receives 149 seats in the poll. Forty-six of the seats are "undecided", according to tion is that a good number of them would go to Mr Ecevit.
As one diplomatic source put it: "Some seats here can be bought—and several of them are usually at quite a reable price."

The poll suggested that Mr right-wing Nationalist Move-

Lefebrienish Communists ivate TV image

opened the series litical broadcasts in campaign by deny-was a totalitarian orging voters that

the party's exec-intee, gave the 10-adcast, part of the

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released. The Government has already deported five to Belgium and Thursday's cabinet meeting is expected, according to newspaper reports, to agree to deport the remaining 22 to other countries. other countries. Some, how-ever, may be allowed to stay in Spain. Señor Juan Maria Bandrés

the San Sebastian lawyer who first time the ham-ared officially on and the Basque separatist to an extract of a organization ETA, said in to-te arrangement of day's edition of El País that Ramon Tamames, to understand the por Madrid and a would be out this week. to understand the prisoners

Señor Torcuato Fernández ee, gave the 10 Miranda, president of the ast, part of the Cortes (Parliament) today etween now and resigned his post King Juan June 15 for all Carlos has accepted his reson until after the election.

Madrid, May 31.—The Archbishop of Toledo and Primate
of Spain, Cardinal González

Catholics against voting for the country's main leftist parties

re raised today that he Basque political would soon be

on the ground that it would breach the faith, because Marxism is atheism —AP.

May 31.—" Carpet ciries, such as that y both German and d War, will hence The EEC has put off until ar crime under an ned by the 110-matic conference a no to date the a warfare convenformer Franco Government and the original six members of ombing" is defined

nate attack affect-ives and objects. e also lists racial

in the repartitation cers among various ches of interna-itarian law.

The presting failed thirds majority to that soldiers must cetted for disobedinglers they refused would constitute thes —war crimes. thes "-war crimes. and Israel, voted e while the United ritzin were among veted against it. est Germany.

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with an order", be impossible in ig ends four years ll supplement the and brims

to end June 10.-

EEC defers Madrid trade talks

Brussels, May 31

the autumn substantive negoti-ations with Spain on Madrid's demand for improvements to the preferential trade agree-ment signed in 1970 by the

the Community.

From July 1, however, it has been agreed that both sides will carry out the much delayed extension of the 1970 agreement to include the three new EEC members who joined in 1973.

Britain, Ireland and Denmark. In principle, this should require Britain to raise its low tariffs on imports of Spanish wine, fruit and vegetables 10. wine, fruit and vegetables to the higher Community level, but it has been agreed not to enforce this obligation until the end of the year

Second Lisbon

minister quits
Lisbon, May 31.—Dr Adalberto Paulo Mendo, Secretary of State for Health, became the second minister to resign from Portugal's minority. Socialist Government in two days.

There was no suggestion that the resignations of Dr Paulo Mendo and of Lieutenani-Colonel Hugo Rocha, Under Secretary of State for the interior, were connected with current pressures on Dr Spares's current pressures on Dr Soures's Government -- Reuter

countries to call on terrorism experts

Correspondent advisers from the tial Air Service ·S) in dealing with toluccao terrorisis u precedent like!y ed in other EEC when terrorists

withem, will result ninisters of the a held in London, erlyn Ree, the er: es chairman.

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to visit-each other's countries as part of a training programme pooling experience and know-ledge. Mr Rees foresaw the likelihood of experts from different countries being invited to observe the way actual operations were conducted in Britain's case from a secret Whitehall control room. Mr Rees places great store on the exchange of information

traffic in arms across frontiers, which the conference found to be surprisingly large.

Looking ahead, he foresaw a need for cooperation in prerecting the their of maclear materials and protecting nuclear

about people involved in the

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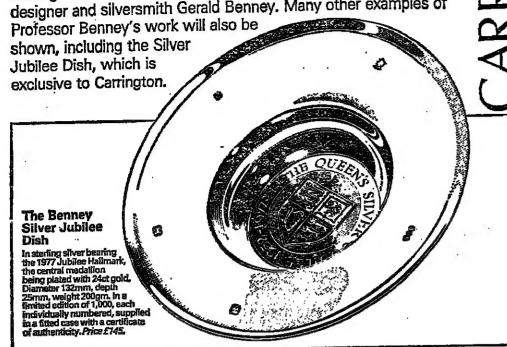
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Salt negotiator to be American envoy in nuclear fuel talks

From Fred Emery
Washington, May 30
Mr Gerard Smith, the genial
Mr Gerard Smith, the genial
Administration realized how disturbed the allies were over Mr Carter's anti-plutonium proarms control negotiator of the eary Nixon years, is returning to government as President Carter's troubleshooter in the touch nuclear fuel policy negotiations with America's

The appointment was confirmed authoritatively here

Mr Smith is to be an ambas-sador at large, dealing with the renegotization of American nuclear fuel supply agreements with foreigners.

He will also be involved with the nucelar power working party set up by the Down-

ing party set up by the Downing Street summit to study the feasibility of switching to fuel cycles incapable of producing weapons-grade material.

As director of the arms control and Disarmament Agency, Mr Smith negotiated the strategic arms limitation treaty known as Salt I, but preferred to see down once Dr Kissinto step down once Dr Kissin-ger had made it clear he would

One route pursued by Mr Carter is to try making more stringent the bilateral fuel supply agreements the United States draws up. The fine line between imposing greater controls on enrichment and reprocessing spent fuels, and establishing commercial advantage for the United States, is one that Mr Smith will have to define if there is not to be more friction.

Next round in Concorde must start legal battle

From Our Own Correspondent
New York, May 31
The next round in the long
legal fight over landing rights
for the Concorde at Kennedy
airport will be fought out tomorrow in the Federal Court of
Appeals here.
At issue will be the question
whether the Port Authority of

whether the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey, which runs the airport, has the right to prevent Concorde land-

earich or reprocess fuel to meet consumer demand has bred

Nixon aides

jail sentences From Our Own Correspondent Washington, May 31 The United States Supreme

Court today declined to stay the prison sentences imposed on Mr John Mitchell and Mr H. R. Heideman, President H. R. Haideman, President Nixon's advisers who were convicted of felonies in the Watergate cover-up.

It is now for Mr John Sirica, the original trial judge, to decide when they must begin serving their two and a half was resident was sentenced.

year-to eight year sentences. declined to hear their appeals, and that of the third adviser, Mr John Ehrlichman,

The President's action in re-nouncing the use of plutonium in American nuclear power plants, hoping the other nuclear powers would follow suit in some way, has produced deep Everyone lauds the goal of preventing weapons proliferation, but contradictory policies over breeder reactors, fuel supplies, and the capacity to

US closer to recognizing Cuba

From Fred Emery Washington, May 31

The exchange by Cuba and the United States of diplomats who would be stationed at the embassies of he countries which represent their interests in each other's capital—a step short of recognition—has a step short of recognition and recogn been brought closer.

A formal American prope to this effect was made on May 10, according to Mr Terence Todman, Assistant Secretary of State for Latin American Affairs, who is accompanying Mrs Rosalyn Carter, the Presi-

President Carter, said today that he had no direct knowledge of the proposal, al-though he admitted "the first

gested that improved relations would depend on policy changes by President Castro of Cuba. These would include abandonin gintervention in African conflicts and releasing political prisoners in Cuba. Dr Castros condition for improving rela-

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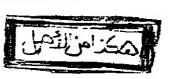
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Amin exclusion bac by Australian lead

By Our Diplomatic Correspondent
Mr Malcolm Fraser, the Australian Prime Minister, yesterday confirmed his support for Mr Callaghan's efforts to dissuade "President Amin from attending near week's Commonwealth conference.

Speaking soon after his arrival in London, Mr Fraser said he thought it would be wrong to exclude a particular country from the conference, but that there were different ways for a country to be represented, other than by its head of state.

"I have indicated my sup-

"I have indicated my sup any action he thought it necessary to make the con-ference a highly sucressful necessary to make the con-ference a highly successful one and a worthwhile working conference." Mr Fraser said.

In particular, he booked for progress on the economic from Unless countries in the developing world felt that there was a prospect of raising their economic standards, the omens for international relations would be poor indeed. He believed that the Commonwealth could make "a significant contribution" to resolving

wealth could make "a signifi-cant contribution" to resolving the problems which divided nations, because in the Commonwealth, unlike the United Nations, member coun-tries were talking with people rather than at people".

During his visit, Mr Fraser believed to have will have talks with several stay away from t British ministers on bilateral because President issues. He will dine at tends to be pre Chequers with the Prime France-Presse.



Mr Fraser yeste a role for Comn"

Minister and Mu tonight.
Dar es Salaam.
President Nyerere, will not attend i wealth conference he had earlier pl so, reliable source today. Vice-President

is expected to le zanian delegation also incude M Mkapa, the Fore and 20 senior Go

Comprehensive plan t help drought area

From Our Correspondent

Ottawa, May 31 A comprehensive plan to put a drought-stricken area of Africa back on its feet is being discussed at a meeting of the Club of Sahel which opened here yesterday.

The Sahel is a 3,000-mile belr of land south of the Sahara Desert which a few years ago was afflicted by a severe drought, the effects of which still are being felt. It comprises eight French-speaking states: Chad, Cape Verde Islands, Gam-bia, Mali, Mauritania, Niger, Senegal and Upper Volta.

The Club of Sahel, representing these countries and more than 20 others, plus a number of international organizations, was set up to help the region world's poores Trudeau, the announced at 1 ing.—Agence F

recover and to danger of further The recovery ment plan, pul this year as a Organization f Cooperation and (OECD), would (£5,882m) to ix a 20 year period The report seyear 2,000 an admore than 1,200 have to be irri 240,000 acres regrowing under thing

Ottawa, May 3 decided to ca

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Dr Kissinger expecte decline university po

From Our Own Correspondent
New York, May 31
Dr Henry Kissinger, the
former Secretary of State,
is likely to refuse the offer of a
professor's chair at Columbia
University, according to a report in the New York Times.
He was quoted as saying that
he had not made up his mind
and would emounce his decision within two weeks, but the
newspaper said people close to
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the commission also wanted the Government to slow down the increase in the exchange rate so that it will reach 80 soles to the dollar at the end of the year from a present 77-11 was also ramprad to have of the year from a present 77.

It was also reported to have proposed a 150 per cent rise in diesel and lubricant prices but only a small increase in the price of petrol.

Señor Barua and the highest executives of the National Central Bank protested against the scheme arguing that it would

scheme, arguing that it would cause huge inflation and a financial catastropise.

Señor Barra resigned and so did Señor Cardos Sannisteban, the Central Bank president, and his four directors. But although the Minister's resignation was immediately accepted. Senor. Santisteban and his associates were persuaded to stay on, Senor Barna's successor is Senor Walter Plazza, a well-known engineer and andus-

Trialist
The new Minister, educated in the United States, faces a difficult task. He has started by examining the three ecoby examining the three eco-nomic plans produced in the last few mouths by the IMF, Senor Berus and the special economic commission. Presi-dent Morales, himself a former Economy Minister has appa-rently given him carte blanches to produce a plan of his own in a sort of balancing set— Reuter.

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Miss Eather, aged 27, a nurse from Sydney, was alleged to have stolen more than 150 barbitarates from the prison medicine store after she had berriended a woman doctor. The police said that forensic tests showed that she had also swallowed some inserticide. Under Indian law, they could be jailed for up to 10 years for the suicide attempt.-Agence

In brief

Mr Whitlam hangs on.

Canberra, May 31.—Mr Gough Whitlam, the former Prime Minister of Australia, retained the leadership of the Labour Party today, narrowly defeating Mr Bill Hayden, who for a short time served as federal Treasurer under him. The vote, by Labour parliamentarians, was 32 to 30.

Ar a press conference after the vote, Mr Whitlam amounced be would step down 18 to 24. months after the next general election in 1978.

Ali to marry again

Los Angeles May 31— Muhammad Ali, the world hearyweight boxing champion, will marry Miss Veronica Porche, a model and longstand-ing friend, on June 19 in Beverley Hills, the Beverly Wilshire Hotel announced, It will be Ah's third marriage; he and Miss Porche have a year-

Mrs Trudeau's job

New York, May 31.—Mrs Margaret Trudeau, estranged wife of the Canadian Prime Minister, will photograph events at the Queen's Silver Jubilee in Eondon for showing on United States television, the American Broadcasting Company announced.

Crisis in Fiji

Suva, Fiji, May 31.—Fiji appeared to be heading for another general election tonight efter its minority Covernment, which assumed office after last month's dead-tocked election, was defeated in a confidence vote in the House

Lesotho discussions -

Cape Tewn, May 31.—Mr
R. F. Botha, South Africa's
Foreign Minister will visit
Lesocho tomorrow for talks on
bilateral relations. Lesotho has
accused South Africa of
responsibility for the closure of
the border with Transkei.

Moscow recalls envoy Khartum, May 31.—The Soviet Union has recalled its Ambas-sador to Sudan, an official source at the Foreign Ministry said. Relations between the two countries have recently become increasingly strained.

Captain pardoned

Nicosia, May 31.—President Makarios of Cyprus bas pardoned and released a Danish sea captain, Mr Carl Sorensen, who was jailed for callin gat the Turkish-occupied port of Famagusta.

Church protest ends :

Warsaw, May 31.—Fourteen Polish disidents ended a week-long hunger strike in a Warsaw church. But Roman Catholic leaders here are worried that the protest may worsen their relations with the communist

Blind in clash

Athens, May 31.—About 100 blind people clashed with police while demonstrating in from of the Greek Parliament today for pension and employment rights. One person was seriously injured and scores were arrested.

12 guerrillas killed

Buenos Aires, May 31.— Security forces, ecting on information from captured Marxist documents, killed 12 guerrillas and seized 5,000 grenades in raids around the

Argentine capital. Brezhnev title hint

Moscow, May 31.—Mr Brezhnev, the Soviet leader, was referred to twice in newspapers here today as a state leader as well as party chief, adding to speculation that he may soon receive additional responsibilities.

President denies Cubans put down Angola coup

gladesh y 31.—President n of Bangladesh, Angola has denied reports that Cuban troops helped to put by the near 99 per 1 favour of his rule and policies y's referendum, down the attempted coup in Angola last Friday, "There was no Cuban participation," he no Cuban participation, he arrest.

said in a broadcast quoted by Also in custody was the protine Angolan news agency vincial commissar of Malanje
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President Neto went on: lections promised m 10 per cent of ulling centres are but a voter turnmany more in the provinces." Certain leaders of the ruling Popular Movement for the Liberation of Angola (MPLA) were clearly linked with the attempted coup, he said. He named Commandant Bakalos, than 80 per cent edicted although leader said this observations at ruler of Bangla- political commissar of the move-

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The President said: "It is At this moment there are clear that foreigners were impli-hundreds of people under cated. He said he would name arrest in Luanda slone, and them later. them later.
Several MPLA leaders were

assassinated during the attempted coup.—Reuter.
Luanda, May 31.—The Angolan authorities have an-nounced censorship on foreign journalists. They will be allowed to transmit only "offi-cial news" from now on.

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ne have issued a ciracle, or by chance, or out of support of Polish good will. If today only a small number of last year's strikers remain in prison, this is not because of the kind heartedness mevslaya and Mr of the Polish Government. It is manks to the Workers' Defence Committee and those who belped them in Poland and abroad.

"If Vaclay Havel (the play-wright) is given his freedom, this is thanks to the desperate straggle by the Charter 77 dissidents and those who supported

"We support the appeal by the Workers' Defence Committhe had done for tee demanding the cessation of the in Europe, and police persecutions in Poland.

of not being able to become We answer the call from the active again inside Poland Polish writers addressed to the itself, the statement said. intelligentsia trade unions and intelligentsia, trade unions and "A mustiarian regime frees all people of good will. We nobody suddenly, either as a demand an end to the represdemand an end to the repressions and demand the liberation. of workers, intellectuals and students. We demand that free dom of speech, the freedom of not be taken away from people. We express our solidarity with free Polish associations: the Workers' Defence Committee, the newly formed Student Committee of Solidarity and the Committee for Human Rights." Moscow, May 31—A Soviet court today sentenced Mrs Melva Landa, a 57-year-old dissident who was accused of setting fire to her apartment lest December to two years' exile, a dissident source said here.—Agence France-Presse.

Disturbing signs that fascism could be just round the corner in Britain

This week's guest column is by journalist and former Liberal Parliamentary candidate Nesta Wyn Ellis

Fashionable though it is to refute the possibility that fascism could flourish in Britain, there are now serious causes for concern in evidence that the country is in a proto-fascist state. Fascist is an fascist state. Fascist is an overused adjective which has partly lost its meaning. Its implications of authoritarianism and repression can be and are applied loosely to a wide range of current political and social attitudes in a way which often disguises the real potential for disguises the real potential for disguises the real potential for disguises a witting in present

disguises the real potential for fascism existing in present British society.

To most people, fascism is an historic phenomenon, the product of an unfortunate juxtaposition of cultural and economic conditions highly specific to Weimar Germany following the Great War. Fascism is also mistakenly equated with rightwing military regimes and other dictatoriships which have arisen without mass support.

However, as Martin Kitchen, distinguished scholar in German history, lucidly describes in a recent book (Fascism, Macmillan, 1976) fascism by definition arises in advanced industrial states which already have some form of liberal democracy, and does so by means of cracy, and does so by means of gaining mass support. It is only

after popular support brings a fascist government to power that the more familiar repressive militaristic and generally antagonistic patterns of fascist regimes reveal themselves. Those who feel, however, that it could never happen here" and who base their convictions on such factors as the good sense of the British people, their distike of extremism and their inheritance of 800 years of parisamentary government are ignoring other and more

common to the rise of fascism in general and the condition of in general and the condition of Britain in particular.

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professionals whose status and security are thus at risk. Their growing need for political help is further pressured by the apparent failure of government to unify society by reconciling the embattled positions of capital and labour (in Britain's case because it is unrepresenta-

tive), Hence calls for national unity and all-party coalition government echoing those of fascist parties elsewhere between the wars If the fact that these condielsewhere tions now dominate in Britain is not enough, our candidature for an award labelled "Preconditions for the rise of Fascism" is additionally strengthened. There is, for instance, high unemployment particularly effective. pertinently disturbing elements

vanced.

In the first place, there is a war and therefore of emergency in relation to Ulster. Apart from its own significance, this breakdown of traditional values continuing reminder of our loss

lence of monopoly capitalism ment, reaching a critical level (both state and private) and of intrusion with such measures with economic crisis (which also as those of powers of entry and destroys individual tolerance of search sought by the Inland the capitalist consumerist system) is especially threatening to a seemingly beleaguered bourgeoisie of small shop-keepers, business people and nation's problems, and the curiously timely exposures of individual politicians culp-ability, this combines to undermine any lingering faith in the democratic system. The way is

> new hope of a solution. To those who say even so, it can never happen here, one might say that genocide and international military aggression are not necessary or imme-diate consequences of fascistic endencies. Social reactions to fascism's preconditions may be violent or apathetic, and indeed both conditions, specially the latter are now features of British politics.

thus open for any group

Meanwhile, the reaction in electoral terms is already under way. Fascist preconditions which have existed for more than a decade, and are now becoming manifest, have produced already a phenomenon which parallels, in all but ideological terms, the rise of fascist parties in interwar Germany and Italy. That this reaction has taken the form of voting Liberal in England, SNP in Scotland and Plaid Cymru in Wales with increasing intensity

Esuccess of home-rule parties. and as functional in the heartlands, hence the success of community politics in England — 2 problem as much a result of the unrepresentative nature nomic difficulties conspiring to third parties tends therefore to anti-system-a response

can provide, however spuriously,

ideology is fogged, charismatic dence of a widespread proto-leadership is a useful focusing fascism.

point, the Liberals in 1974 were Taking their cue from a govseen as much as an instrument of reaction against the unsatisfactory (in terms of government) two party system as against the two main parties

already, as I have previously

predicted, proving competitive. The interchangeability of the third-party vote has already been demonstrated Scotland in

porters-far from it. example merely serves to illus-trate the parallel possibilities for a second force within third

party growth in England. If the sixties were characterized by a growth of nationalist parties in the periphery, the seventies are periphery, the seventies are showing a comparable growth of fascist parties in the heartlands. The English fascist parties (notably the National Front and its offshoot, the National Party), posing as patriots and men of common parties of the parties and men of common the state of the parties and men of the parties and men of the parties are discussed. sense to disguise their authori-tarian ambitions are now making predictable intoads into the currently static third-party share of the vote, both in par-liamentary by-elections and local elections. In the latter, while their showing in while their showing in individual seats has not been brilliant, and while occasionally (as in Leicester) they have even fallen back badly where they most expected triumph, they should not be regarded as a localized or temporary

The SNP had to wait until 1966 for its first real electoral growth and until 1967 for its first parliamentary seat (Hamilton). The fact that 1976 was the first year in which the National Front gained councillors would of course be viewed as a coinci-dence especially when they were gained in areas where im-migration was deliberately used to frighten what Mr Enoch Powell (in his use of the immigration issue) has always been at pains to call ordinary decent

English people. Whether or not the electoral success of the English fascist parties is a localized and limited phenomenon one cannot fail to note the growth of fascistic attitudes throughout society. It is which becomes more gut re-not only the views of embittered action than reasoned protest as working class youths who in last political stress grows.

The simplicity of the antisystem platform of Welsh and Scots nationalists is not easily indea, but those expressed at matched by the more complex Liberal plea for electoral and entirely affines, around a release of the complex of the co other democratic reform (not tively affluent people ranging to mention its plurality of from the overtly racialist to the policy on other issues). Where rankly vigilante, which are evi-

ernment which has been ustil recently increasingly repressive liberty and free wage bargaining at any social level, people themselves, largely in terms of are becoming less ashamed of Mr Thorpe's personality. However, expressing attitudes which are ever, as the violence of the themselves illiberal and represreaction develops, a more visibly violent third party is sive. From there it is a short step to espausing the same sentiments wrapped in political pack-

aging.
While it is doubtful that people responding negatively to social and other pressures

A case where illustrators should be put in the picture

There was good news for those " as being of too frequent occurwho care about the status of children's books, when Whitbread's Breweries announced last week that this category was to be retained in their current roster of awards (probably the most handsome prize for a children's book anywhere in the world). This announcement, coupled with the news that through the usual trade chan-nels (ie, "not in limited edi-tions or editions de luxe") and, by the nature of publishing as it has developed since 1943 this means that children's books figure prominently among works submitted. (For the quinquenois 1967-71 and 1972-76 it was decided to divide the prize those small sumber of The Times Educational Supplement's Non-Fiction Award, and the Library Association's Car-negie and Kate Greenaway Medals will be given in October, shifts the period of maximum prizewinging broubaha from its usual place in the spring to the surum, and leaves as at the moment with money among a number of books, and five out of nine for the first period and eight out of nine for the second were chil-dren's books.) On both occaspring to the sutumn, and leaves as at the moment with only two annual prizes to record: The Guardian's fiction prize, given, predictably enough, to Peter Dickinson for The Blue Hawk (GoBancz), and the Eleanor Farjeon Award, made to Elaine Moss for her multisions exhibitions associated with the bequest were held when the prizewinners "and other selected books" were displayed.

farious activities as a kind of plenipotentiary for the chil-dren's book trade both here and in South Africa. One other prize though, which has escaped almost everyone's notice so far, is of considerable significance to those concerned with children's books, and raises about the effectiveness of book awards and the interpretation of their terms of reference. The matter for debate is the Francis Williams Bequest, and although its beneficiaries were announced last March, and although the exhibition of their works at the Victoria and Albert Museum has now closed, discontent among those whom it was designed to help seems to be accumulating.
The Francis Williams Bequest

dates back to 1943, when its donor left £1,500 to the Victoria and Albert Museum to be used for "a prize or prizes for the encouragement, and advancement of book injustration".

The money was placed in a trust fund and by 1971 there was enough to allow cash prizes to be given, and the decision was made to establish a quinquennial prize of £500 for the best illustrated books of five tors sponsored by the associatistication. Such a statement yearly periods dating from 1967. tion last week, only 12 of the might also help to show why (The museum considered an 80 attenders had heard of a book like Celia Berridge's annual award, but rejected it Francis Williams and his prize. Runaway Danny is deemed to

The only stipulations Francis bequest, however, a deeper williams made about the placing of the money was that it should go to books originating in Great Britain and published one would assume first that encouraging and advancing the art by raising the level of debare).

Thus far it would seem that the Victoria and Albert Museum and the National Book League, which is associated with the organization of "the competition", are reasonably fulfilling the terms of Mr Williams's bequest but several critics—especially from the Association

of Illustrators—are wondering just how far the two disbursements of £500 have really "encouraged and advanced" the arr of book illustration. Merely in terms of publicity the deci-sion to make a five-yearly award seems to them misguided, since the few people who discover its existence forget it again after about six months. And even if this long intermission can be justified the delay is not used to promote information, let alone excitement.

about the next batch of awards. No formal contact seems to be established with any organi-zation or institution concerned with children's books or book illustration—including the Department of Illustration of the Royal College of Art, which is two minutes' walk away from the Victoria and Albert Museum : Briggs's cartoons for Father —and no effort has been made Christmas, one would neverto implicate the Association of theless like to have a reasoned to implicate the Association of Illustrators. Indeed, at a meet-ing of children's book illustra-

Quite apart from this failure regular effort would be made to monitor eligible work as it was published, and second that judges would be abiding by clearly defined criteria, whose application they would explain at the time of each quinquen-

As I understand it, however, the arrangements for seeking submissions for the 1972-76 competition were carried our at the books were then briskly judged in order to go on display in March, 1977. Evidence for this fairly precipitate procedure can certainly be found in the statis-tics of the exhibition: only 11 books being shown from 1972 as against 39 from 1976.

Small wonder, therefore, that practising illustrators ask how representative these books were the total output, and how adequately a "competition" can be judged when the judges are looking at perhaps 200 books in such a short time. (It is not known if competitiveness is enhanced by judges "calling in " entries over and above those submitted by publishers, who, incidentally, pay £1 per book for the privilege.)

Certainly the off-hand an-nouncement of this year's winners gives the enthusiast for book illustration no clue at all as to what the judges deem to be successful or unsuccess ful work. A variety of styles and techniques was repre-sented by the winners and while there is no question of the merits of, say, John Lawrence's wood-engravings for Rabbit and Pork or Raymond statement as to the different qualities of their illustrative

be superior to, say, Fions lishment and rapid growth French's King Tree, which during the past four years of figured in the exhibition, or to the Association of Illustrators

If any benefit at all is to accrue from the five-yearly interval before the next Francis Williams Award is announced, it must surely lie in the improved planning and judgment of the award. The estab-

Mary Rayner's Mr and Mrs Pig's Evening Out, which didn't even get that far. raises the hope of professional advice on questions relating to publicity and the statement of interpretations, and, with a bit of luck, someone may decide that £100 a year will make a better proposition for all con-cerned than £500 every five.

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The Minstrel and Piggott look the perfect Epsom blend

By Michael Phillips Racing Correspondent

There are 22 runners for this year's Derby, which will be run on good but fast ground at Epsom this afternoon. After much deliberation THE MINSTREL is my final choice. When in doubt, and there has been a great amount of that flying around this season, it usually pays to bank on classic form of some description or another and today that is repre-sented by Nebbiolo, Blushing Groom and Pampapaul, respectively the winners of the English, French and Irish 2,000 Guineas and by The Minstrel, who finished third to Nebbiolo at Newmarket and only a whisker behind Pampapaul

at the Curragh. Blushing Groom is unquestionably the best colt that they have seen racing over a mile in France this year, but there is nothing that says categorically that the best in France is any better than the best in England or Ireland. The Minstrel is preferred on this occasion in the belief that he will stay a mile and a half better than the favourite and better than both Nebbiolo and Pampapaul.

It is also my opinion that the presence of Lester Piggott on The Minstrel's back is a considerable point in his favour. Piggott has the right temperament for the big occasion. No one rides this difficult course better, which is borne out by the fact that he has won the Derby seven times, which is more than anyone else. It is almost as if he knows every blade

It is almost as if he knows every blade of grass on the course. He seems to have the uncanny knack of being in the right place at the right time, and those qualities could be especially important today when there is ground for thinking that this year's Derby is going to be a nerve-racking race for those taking part. The problem is that there are probably a dozen runners who are all much of a muchness, give or take a pound or two either way. That means that the field may well still be tightly bunched at a late stage with little room bunched at a late stage with little room for manneuvre, as was the case in both the English and Irish Guineas. That pro-

mises to make life even more difficult for everyone taking part and especially those with little or no experience of race riding around Epsom.

I am banking upon Piggott's experience being a crucial factor. Obviously, not even Piggott can win unless he has the right horse under him, but this time I happen to think that The Minstrel has the right credentials. It is true that he has never won over a mile and a half, indeed he has never run over more than a mile, but nor had six of the previous 10 Derby winners and that did not stop them. I thought that there was a lot to like about the way that The Minstrel was running on at the end of the Guineas at Newmarket and again at the Curragh, and it is quite possible that he now needs a mile and a half.

Knowing that he is closely related to Nijinsky, I am sure that he will stay today's distance. On top of that, The Minstrel has already shown that he is fast enough first to take a good position and then hold it, and that could be of vital significance this afternoon when they start jockeying for positions, soon

after the start.

The Minstrel appears to be ideally drawn in the middle of the field only drawn in the middle of the field only two places away from Elushing Groom. Discussing the Derby on Monday, Piggort told me that he thought that The Minstrel would just about win granted normal luck in running. It is quite possible that The Minstrel will begin sweaming before the race, but no one ought to be put off by that. He did so both at Newmarket and the Curagh and Piggott says that it does the Curragh, and Piggott says that it does not affect him in the slightest.

There are two schools of thought as far as Blushing Groom is concerned.

Some argue that he has shown himself to be so superior to his contemporaries in France that he will outclass this lot. too, while others say that he will not stay and that his cause is hardly helped by the fact that he will be ridden by a jockey who has no experience of race ricing around Epsom. I belong to the second camp. If you go through life opposing horses by Red God in the Derby, you will be right more often than the exception but I doubt it. His last famous gallop at Chantily sounded too good to be true.

It is every jockey's ambition to win the Derby, but I do not eavy Henri Semani riding the favourite this after-noon. The ground will be vastly different to anything they have encountered so far in France and so will this race. It is not difficult to envisage a number of factors bringing about his downfall— lack of stamina being uppermost. And, being by Yellow God, both Nebbiolo and Pampapaul may not stay well enough either. Stuart Murless told me yesterday that Pampapaul had flourished since he pipped The Minstrel to the pust in the Irish 2,000, but even he concedes that his horse's best distance may well be a mile and a quarter.

In these circumstances no one ought to be surprised if Lucky Sovereign turns out to be the main stumbling block as far as The Minstrel is concerned. Admitfar as The Minstrel is concerned. Admittedly he finished a long way behind The Minstrel in the Dewhurst Stakes at Newmarket last autumn, but on the other hand he did look vastly improved when he won the Dante Stakes ar York, where he wore blinkers for the first time. Winning by five lengths that day he gave his jockey, Thomas, an exciting feel and since then Lucky Sovereign has impressed him even more in a gallop at Newmarket. On a line through Baudelaire Lucky Sovereign is much the same sort of horse as Nebbiolo, but more certain to stay. That makes him a danger to one and all and I know that Piggott is aware of that. Piggott's decision to ride The Minstrel is fasciuating, because to my certain knowledge he could have chosen Be My Guest, Hot Grove, or Valinsky and possibly one or two others besides. He rode Be My Guest when he won the Blue Riband trial at Epsom in April when the colt handled the course to perfection. Since then, however, Be My Guest has been beaten in Ireland at Leopardstown, where Piggott said that he did not stay even a mile and a quarter. mile and a quarter.

Piggott also rode Hot Grove when he won the Chester Vase easily. But in my

away with Hot Grove's performance that day. Admittedly he has won over today's distance, and admittedly he beat Royal Blend by five lengths at Chester and since then Royal Blend has won well at Goodwood. That, however, is over simplification was to the state of the fying matters.

No one should agrove the fact that Royal Blend was all at sea racing around a course as sharp as Chester and Hot Grove may well have been flattered that day. Last year, Hot Grove was besten decisively by Gairloch and Pampapaul in the Royal Ludge Stakes at Asrot, and that could well be a fairer reflection of his true work. Gairloch has rwice finished behind The Minstrel this year. Pigent trude Valindry when the was

Piggott rode Valinsky when he was beaten by Alleged in Ireland, and the following day he plamped for The Minstrel. Being by Nejinsky, who won the Derby seven years ago, and out of Valoris, who won the Oaks in her heyday, Valinsky has a classic pedigree if ever there was one. Two of his half sisters have already been placed in a classic and I will not be surprised if he runs into I will not be surprised if he runs into third place behind The Minstrel and Lucky Sovereign. Baudelsire and Milverton are both held fairly and squarely on form by Lucky Sovereign.

squarely on form by Lucky Sovereign.

It is difficult to entituse about Caporello, even though he did manage to win the Lingfield Derby Trial, still more about Night Before and Gairloch who finished behind bun that day. It is possible, though, that binkess will improve Night Before. In Haste and Sultan's Ruby will also be wearing blinkers this afternoon, but they are even more forlorn hopes. My wife says that the best approach to this year's Derby is to back anything at 661, and she may well be right. Yesterday Milliondollarman and St Peterburg were in her bracket. Milliondollarman has at least won at Epsom and Newmarker this won at Epsom and Newmarker this season, but he had only paper weights on his back on those occasions, and he will need to have improved out of all recognition to take a hand in the finish For all that, Milliondollarman should give his backers a good run for their

money. But the best thing that can be said about St Petersburg is that he is a half brother to Brigadier Gerard. Like his distinguished relation, though, he will appreciate the fast ground. He was hopelessly ill at ease when he raced on soft ground at Newbury earlier this season. Our French Correspondent is adamant that Monseigneur will run well, although he concedes that he may not be an easy ride. Apparently he has to be held up until the last minute and that could prove until the last minute and that could prove

difficult this afternoon. Royal Plume promises to be a tough ride for Joe Mercer simply because he needs pushing and shoving from the word go. Mercer's efforts did the trick at Chester where Royal Plume was good enough to win the Dee Stakes elbeit only just, but he does not look up to the stan-dard necessary to win the Derby, even in a mediocre year.

Nor does Nebbiolo's stable companion, Nor does Nebbiolo's stable companion, Lordeday, even though he should give the brilliant French rider. Yves Saint-Martin, a good ride. Lordeday finished fourth in the Irish 2,000 Guigeas and is held on that form by The Minstrel.

Second in the Deiby last year Reiking is now training to so one better to the

is now trying to go one better in the Diomed Stakes. He enters the fray fresh from a supremely same effort at Newbury where he won the Lockings Stakes by beating Jelisby and Thieving Demon and those confirming that distances in the region of a mile suit him better than longer races.

Relkino ought to be in his element this afternoon, yet I doubt whether even he will manage to give 51b to Duke Ellington, who excelled when he won the Victoria Cup at Newbury earlier this

Victoria Cup at Newbury earlier this year.

There are 15 four day acceptures for Saturday's £40,000 Gaks Stakes at Epsom. Together with latest riding arrangements the list is: Arra Ylina (P. Paquet), Brightly (G. L. a.), Dunfermine (W. Carson), Durta. Piegont), Fabuleux Jane (J. C. Deschill), Freeze the Secret (G. Dettori), High Charge (E. Eldin), Jalapa (Y. Saint-Marfin), Lady Rhapsody (Ron Hutchinson), Mrs McArdy (E. Hide), Olwyn (—), Proud Event (A.



The Minstrel looks rela being taken out to exercis Lequeux), Triple First (1 Vaguely Deb (B. Raymon Star (P. Eddery).

£25,000 jackpot

The guaranteed pool for the por today will be £25,000. STATE OF GOING (offici Good Ripon: Firm Word Newton Abbot (tomorrow):

The Dorby runners and riders for today

ine l	Derby runners and riders for today	Detaned guide	to recent form	of oig race cont	enders
301 22-1202	BAUDELAIRE (F. Sasse), D. Sasse, 9-0	By Michael Seely class two-	year-old, rated fourth so equipped was S	t Amant in and consistent, this Danish-owne	d SULTAN'S RUBY
	BE MY GUEST (C), (Mrs A. Manning), M. O'Brien, 9-0 E. Hide 15 (Yellow, green armiets and cap)	thly tacks me class necessary to Caporello a	Of Guineas was followed Minstel (9-0) won mal performance behind with Shisan's Ruby (1 at Lingfield, which his York, May 11, 11 mm.	minre and The 50RM: See Pampapaul and Milvo (19-0) won 11, 11 from Tachpyon (19-0) unplaced; Gabrioch (29-0) 4R, 11, 1 hack, Beade (19-0) and Saltan's Ruby (9-0) 1Ath. Nev new (19-0) and Saltan's Ruby (9-0) 1Ath. Nev me (8-10) and market, April 27 (2)000 Ginheas (19-0) and Saltan's Ruby (9-0) 1Ath. Nev me (19-0) and Saltan's Ruby (9-0) and Saltan's Ruby (9	Shark). Owned and Wakefield haulage co Hanson, this useful appeared to be a ck
303 1111-11	BLUSHING GROOM (Aga Khan), F. Mathet, 9-0	emphatic after his five-length the three- defeat by Lucky Sovereign in the after the ri	s-devel to the fact that beaten he il by limin spent-old was coughing Sporting Vankes (9-5), race. The ever-optimis-sulful Price asserts that April 12, 1m, Good, tilful Price asserts that	with Hot Grove 1m, Good. 18 ran. Nowmarket. NIGHT REPORE, bay c. b	Futurity at Doncaste
304 010-31	CAPORELLO (D), (Dr J. Rernandez), G. PGordon, 9-0 E. Eldin 14 (Royal blue, whire sleeves, black and blue striped cap)	needed better going to reveal his Gairloch learne potential despite the evidence that he confirm book to the contrary. Knight's ic The ageless Frank Durr will be his his second	is fully recovered and MILLIONDOLLARS could well carry Snow by Commanghr — Evolution of Parthia). If you want	ery Blessing bager). Sole representative of to go mad. Grundy's trainer, Peter Walwyt	this season and is be
305 111-244	GAIRLOCH (P. de Moussac), H. Price, 9-0	parmer FORM: Se	be the one. Has a lo form, but his stamin. Sail and hor Grown he is bred for the the stamin has won over the cot	at to find on bred was bound to grain of an art is assured. become his best three-year-ol ask in hand after his easy Goodwood win la	d al back Doncaster, Oc
	(Black and gold hoops, check cap) HOT GROVE (Lord Leverhulme), R. Houghton, 9-0	in Hete 18-5 unplaced. Newmarket. Abril 13 7f. Good, 19 ran. HOT GRE	GVE, bay c, by Hotfoot his two handicap v	provement in field's Derby Trial, but is reported to have worked well in blinker with Oats and Orange Bay.	thern Dancer—Fle Park). A stocky
307 1110-00	IN HASTE (B), (F. Buttery), J. W. Watts, 9-0	Northern Dancer—What A Treat Jockey C Tudor Minstrell, This American—Leverhulme word looked likely to be Vincent Leverhulme	Club Steward, Lord Rosemary Lomax the woman trainer to Epsom.	e first ever (9-0) besten 21 by Aratios (8-5) triumph at with Tamanaco (8-9) 3rd, 71 bed Sandown, April 23, 1 an. Good, 5 ra	four white socks, he present price main is the mount of Lest trained by Vincent
	LORDEDAW (F. Glennon), K. Prendergast, 9-0	O'Brien's chief Epsom hope when mic former macking up in the Blue Riband liam Carson frial Stakes over this course in	once of giving the dyta- r champion jockey, Wil- no, and also his trainer 18-12; with Mr Music N Derby victory. Most im- Derby victory. Most im- Octoby victory. Most im-	51. 21 from NOBLE VENTURE, ch c, b nd Caporelle Hopeful Venture—Grand Slat 11-m. Good (Fidalgo), Noble Venture looke	y beaten as a two- Minstrel was winter the 2,000 Guineas, t
309 04-2431	LUCKY SOVEREIGN (B), (R. Moller), H. Wragg, 9-0 M. L. Thomas 13 (Chocolate, gold braid and sleeves, quartered cap)	April. Discarded by Piggott as pressive when beaten by Vase over the Drybestra in the Inturious	then winning the Chester MILVERTON, by	c. by Rhyal maidens at Ascot in April, but ra 1. Tudor speakingly in his most recent race	tover confidently n bed draw, finish Nebbiolo, Railied i
310 000-11	MILLIONDOLLARMAN (C,D), (Mrs P. Shaw), Mrs Lomax, 9-0 G. Starkey 22 (Yellow, McAlpine tertan sleeves)	round at Epsom. Some 1900 baten 2) by Orchestra underfoot.	that the form may be melody). Probably unlikely of the happier with more give challengers to succe form, but was com-	etd. Userul sovereign (y-0) 4th, he beck. Ascol	likely of those in climax of those two
211 22-13	(Yellow, McAlpine tartan sleeves) MILVERTON (Tjo Eng Tar), C. Collins, 9-0	9-0) with Lowedaw (9-0) 3rd, sht 16 back, Lopardatown, May 7, 1,m. Form, 3, 1006, 7 ran. Previously (8-12) won Gairboch, (8-13), 13, 11, 1 from Saros (8-12) and A Blend (8-12) Lib Ris (8-12), Ersem, April, 19, 1m. Chauser, May	to Eucky Sovereign and pointed when third 12: won 5:, 5: from Royal Sovereign at York.	Milverton's God-Pampaline (Bairem II). Ye efy stamine.	the Derby distance
sia 442-01	MONSEIGNEUR (A. Seeligson), F. Boutin, 9-0	ELUSHING GROOM, ch c by IN HAST Red God—Runaway Bride (Wild Caroline of	FE, ch c, by Hotfoot— only (8-10) won 11, 11 FE, ch c, by Hotfoot— (-2) and Glenturet 18 Park, April 9, 71, Hot		(9-0) and Crown Bo - Lucky Soversign 19-0 Newmarket: Oct 15.
	MR MUSIC MAN (Mrs F. Todd), E. Reavey, 9-0	bove his contemporaries in and a forton	kshire trained outsider MONSEIGNEUR, orn hope. Bred to stay, of sheet afternoon's likely pace. overcame difficulties	ry (Mocant well known confident races when it coit, who switching his mount round the in running entire field to deliver his chal-	VALINSKY, bay —Valoris (Tiziano
315 112-213	(Royal blue, emerald green stars on body, green star on cap) NEBBIOLO (N. Schibbye), K. Prendergast, 9-0	vely in the French 2,000 Guineas. Fine chief drawbacks are that he less form is as no chance of staying on breed in the late of the wood (4-8).	e Nobbiolo and Baudelaire. when gaining his first and year when 14-21 work beating General at Lo 181 Avr. Ang 3. 7f. Good. May. Has a bit to	ongchamp in should be set to stance, but find on the it could be well worth taking a	winner out of an Valinsky has yet to live up to his im
	NIGHT BEFORE (B), (M. Throsby), P. Walwyn, 9-0	amani, has no experience of TORNED	DAW, bay c by Lord speed when wisningeni Poort (Botticelli).	g. and is perament as a two year old, but	gree. Sir Charles bred made a s
	NOBLE VENTURE (A. Richards), C. Brittain, 9-0	emperament, and his explosive	and consument cont. FORM: (8-9) won 2 string of Nebbiolo's General (9-2) and Gomes shown improved form	FORM: See Lordedaw and Galtleck. (9-0) was shi he, 1, from The mand Fridy Current, May 14 (Irish 2.000 True. (1) 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	has subsequently di FORM: Ser Sullar beaten it by August mint (8-3) Sed. 53 May 13. 1 m. Good
318 1212-01	PAMPAPAUL (H. Paul), H. Murless, 9-0	FORM: 14-2, won 3i. 5j from this season hariz 19-2 and Shinmat 19-21. best race longchamp, April 23 Fronth 2,000 close fourth funcasi. 1m. Gond to to the fourth of the control of the con	n and ran by far his last time out when a h to Pampapull in Irish March Past Merry Me ant of French champion sel). One of the car	br c. by ROYAL PLUME, b c by Welsh clody (Coun Pageant—Whipped Cream (Alyci-	Summary : This Derby to which th
320 03111-1	PAMPAPAUL (H. Paul), H. Murless, 9-0 (Blue and yellow stripes, yellow cap with blue boop) ROYAL PLUME (H. Joel), H. Cecil, 9-0 (Black, scarlet cap) ST PETERSBURG (Mrs J. Hislop), H. Candy, 9-0 P. Waldron 9	Action Bry 19-21 and Pharty 19-21 jockey, Y september 19-21 and Pharty 19-21 jockey, Y september 19-21 wor 41, hd from search of the party 19-21 and J. Q. Tobin triumph, T	es Saint-Martin in last place. This Berks	hire trained now won his last four races en- tricingly at threly because of his honesty and but cannot courage, which have never been d in his last more evident than when beating	Blushing Groom in reasonable price if
321 22-10	ST PETERSBURG (Mrs J. Hislop), H. Candy, 9-0	CAPORELLO, b c. by Crepello Pornin Some Source Carlos William Conden H). The Conden Report Conden Re	th The Minstrel. two outlings.	Clown Bowlet III the Des Stakes	Aga Khan's colt
322 012-000	SULTANS RUBY (B), (J. Hanson), J. Hanson, 9-0 E. Johnson 4 (Red and green hoops, yellow cap, green hoop)	rritics were unmoved by Capo- li from Zero ello's victory in the ever-informa- ive Lingfield Derby Trial, but all 77. Son. 11 a	se Pampapaul and he My consist the second of		. With the incom
323 111-132	THE MINSTREL (R. Sangster), M. O'Brien, 9-0 L. Piggott 10 (Emerald green, royal blue sleeves, white cap, green spots)	ormance highly. His supposed LUCKY S	SOVEREIGN, bay c by Novara (Eirkham).	With the Royal Palace—La Paiva (Prince	in the saddle, T bound to be in Remembering the the blinkered Lin
324 14-2	VALINSKY (Sir C. Clore), M. O'Brien, 9-9	ong price. His trainer, however, carries the sadamant that this lazy horse is controlling fast. Eas an ideal peditree, as like Grundy and Wollow Disappointe is out of a mare by Worden II.	e maximum confidence Guineas winner Lady e maximum confidence evan trainer to be the classic victors in the classi	a England, ownership. Impressive when win- of far have ning good class maiden event in the speedy style at Kempton Park, but dis- e line, But appointed in his latest race. No moutly bred chance on form but may do better	Mill Doof :- 4074
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3-1 Blush My Guest, M Gairloch, Ni; Venture, 200	th Before, Milverton, 50-1 Baudelaire, 66-1 St Petersburg, Milliondollarman, 100-1 Nobie	GATRLOCH, ro c, Roan Rocket Nettlebed (Hethersett), Top-	due to the blinkers German mare; and und vailing conditions too the picture, if he can market victory, Nebbio to repeat the perform: Gifficulties when thir outright winner to be papaul at the Curragh.	dd last oat FORM: 7-71. 501. 25 This (9-0) er his New-site Mable Venture 7-7: 501. 26 This (9-0) er his New-site Mable Venture 7-7: 501. New-like Form April 30. 1 Nov. 501. 1 Form Julian. 501. 201. 1 Form Julian. 501. 201. 1 Form Julian. 501. 201. 1 Julian. 601. 201. Tast. game res.	of animal whose make him a force with at the end o a fast run race.
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|Television: IBA 2.0, 2.35, 3.35 and 4.20; BBC 1 3.35|

2.35 DAYLY MIRROR HANDICAP (£7,012: 11m)

101. 34-2312 Sim Jim (D) 1P. Roberts: 1. Halding, 5-9-7 ... L. Pingett 2

203 0030-31 Rare Trial (L. Gelb. P. Prendergad, 4-10-1 ... C. Roche 7

101. 700-034 Frankle (D) 1J. Hanson: Hanson 4-9-6 ... E. Johnson 1

203 020-000 The Heritord (B. Shine: II Serift, 4-9-7 ... L. Mercer 10

204 204-000 Lift Lengtry (C.D) (E. Clatford-Smith) Robingon Startey 4

207 110-010 Turnpike (C.D) (Vir.) J. McDougald: 1. Balding, 5-8-10

208 141-312 Yeung Pig (D) (D. Robinson: M. Jarts, 3-8-8 (Carson 3

209 111-342 Perusia (D) (T. Morris), R. Akchurst, 6-8-7 ... P. Eddery 5

210 1233-00 Buromerch (D) (Mr. S. Cruwe, A. Ingham, 5-8-3 ... Jag) (1)

211 003030 Buromerch (D) (Mr. S. Cruwe, A. Ingham, 5-8-1 Rare Trial, 10-1)

Turnpike, 12-1 Live Lingity, 19-1 others.

3.35 DERBY STAKES (3-y-o: £107,530: 12m) For runners and

4.20 WOODCOTE STAKES (2-y-o: £3,895: 6f)

4.50 DIOMED STAKES (£10,831:-1m 110vd)

5.25 CRAVEN HANDICAP (£4,402:71)

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5.21 1020p-2 Delta sons (5. Vanuan), H. Price, 4-3-9 B. Taylor R

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5.23 Private Line (D) (G. Greenwood), C. Brittein, 4-8-6 R. Fox 1

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5.27 Adapted (C) (D. Crawford), R. Swift, 6-8-2 M. Thomas 2

5.28 Private Line (D) (G. Greenwood), C. Brittein, 4-8-6 R. Fox 1

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Ripon programme

[Television (IBA) : 2.15, 2.45 and 4.35 races] 2.15 DEVERELL STAKES (2-y-0: 5967: 5f)

2.45 LADIES DERBY STAKES (£1.794 : 11m)

11-1 (Shorters, w2 Green tight, f-1 Party Debyet, wt Large Suping, T-1 Ports forced, 10-1 Northgate Loss, 12-1 Will-Lass, 16-1 Brisarroch Lody, 20-1 others.

4.35 SILVER JUBILEE HANDICAP (\$1.207 : 11m)

20 00000-0 Mandlands (C) E. Collingwood 4-7-7 C. Exclusion 3 Lingfield Park results 5-1 Shine On 5-1 Solo Reign 11-2 Walk Around 5-1 Wigeon, 13-2 Augumn 2,00 (2.2) SAFFRON STAKES (2.00), 8-1 Tower-Bird, Captain's Table, 16-1 others. 5.5 SAPPER STAKES (2-y-0 : £1,216 : 6f)

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LINGUICAL PARK RESULTS

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Vital March (P. Mellon) 8-7

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2.15 1. Bright Fergus (15.2): 2. Weimbdon, RHR (7-3 lay): 3. Mighty Made (2-1): 2. Longally Mighty (15.2): 2. King (15.2): 3. Consider (5.1): 3. Even (15.2): 4. King (15.2): 4. King (15.2): 4. King (15.2): 4. King (15.2): 5. The first (15. ## 1.5: 1. Geykart (7-1); 2. Dark | 8.45: 1. Geld | 8.45: 1. G Sky (4-1), 3, Shiming Heights (11-2), 9 time. The Ginger Horse: 11-4 have Porglash and Swift Answer that not run.

4.45: T. True Pelace (4-9); 2, 707E DOUBLE Fight. E21.85; (9-1), 8 rgn.

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OFFICIAL SCRATCHINGS: Oaks
Stakes, Epsom: Yirgin, St James's
Palace Stakes, Royal Assor; Black
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for 57 by Daniel and Selvey

champions, swept to a 254-run victory at Trent Bridge yesterday when their fast bowlers. Daniel and, Selvey, howled out Nottinghamshire for 57, the lowest score of the season. Daniel, generating lively pace and bounce, rook five wickets for 28, glving him match ligores of 10 for 76. Selvey finished with four for 28 and a match analysis of eight for 80. Tandel also put the Nottingham-

Daziel siso put the Nottingham-shire opening batsman, Harris, out of the match with the third ball

of the innings. It lifted and forced Harris to retire with a gashed hard. With his next ball Daniel dismissed Randall for his second

Yorkshire raced to their third

WLING: Jarvis, 18—6—41—1: 17—3—18—0: Underwood, 15—48—3: Shephard, 15—4— 1: Hulls, 14—6—27—2.

MENT: First Innings, 204 (R. Woolder 114; G. Miller 4 for 44).

Sussex v Gloucester

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AT DERBY Kent (18 pts) best Derbyshire

day's last wicket stand of 144, which changed the whole character of the game, and some fionhearted bowling by Stevenson yesterday. In Glamorgan's second

Glomorgan began the last day 40 runs behind with only five wickers remaining, and spirited batting by Ontong and Eliton Jones enabled them to reach a most of the second o

them to reach a total of 1972. This meant that Yorkshire needed 29 to win. An unusual incident brought jones's tunings to an end. When he played a hook shot the

ball struck Ather, fielding at short-leg, on the head, and the ball flew to midwickes, where Robinson calmiy took the catch.

A fourth wicket stand of 110 in 94 minutes between Asif and Eatham carried Kent towards a

two wicket victory with two balls to spare against Derbyshire. Derbyshire's declaration at 173 for eight set Kent to score 263 to

win in 235 minutes. Three wickets fell for 67. Then Eatham joined Asit and a parmership of mount-

STATE OF WICKETS: 1-17, 2-08, 160; B-264.

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Glamorgan v Yorkshire

a) by 10 witters.
GLAMORGAN: First Engings, 119
A. L. Robinson 1 for 51. G. B.
evenson 1 for 57. G. B.
Second Innings
A. Jones, b Stevenson 17
A. Hopkins, 1-b., b Stevenson 3
Francis, c Lumb, b
Stevenson 16

YORKSHIRE: First limings, 293 (A. deboltom 124; H. Cartwright 4 for

Notts v Middlesex

Gioucestershire had to fight hard for the 121 runs they needed to beat Sussex and lost tax wickets before Shepherd hit the winning

run. Snow and Waller set them problems of speed and spin, but the resolute Shepherd, with 28

nor out, punished anything loose, while the 46 scored by Zaheer proved invaluable.

Sussex added only 13 runs before being all out for 176.

Graveney had bowling figures of 31—14—70—6.

Hampshire v Somerset

SOMERSET: First Inclings, (M. J. Klichen 105, I. V. A. R. 76, A. M. E. Roberts 5 for

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N. Smith, st Lyon, b Simmons

Lavas, b 2, i-a 10, e-b-9)

LANCASHIRE: Tirst-Innings, 236 for 6 .H. Pilling p31.

LEICESTERSHIRE: First innings, 253 (J. C. Balderstone 67)

Second Innings
Gower, c. Stinner, b. Arnold
Strole, l-b-w. b. Jockman
Halderstone, not out
Dayrson, not out

TALL OF WICKEIS: 1-0, 2-10.

ESSEX: First innings, 258 for 6 H. Deaness of R. E. East 50 not P. G. Lee 4 for 63)

Essex v Lancashire

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The board also considered
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Mr Kerry Picker. They stated:
"The board considered the possible involvement of current
players in the proposed series of
matries between Australia and
the Rest of the World

hand. With his next ball Daniel dismissed Randall for his second duck of the game. Nottinghamshire siumped to 15 for six but their tallenders, led by White, steered them towards a slighly more respectable total. White made the top score, 19.

Nottinghamshire were pursuing a total of 312 to win it 290 minutes after Brearley had declared at 264 for eight. Their imigs lasted one hour 25 minutes and 18.4 overs. Ine board's recommendations on the next steps to be taken will be discussed at a meeting of the Cricker Council on June 8 prior, to the special International Cricket Conference meeting on June 14. June 14."

John Woodcock writes: The TCCB, has left no one in any doubt about the strength of feeling among the first-class connues against the recent ruling of the Appeals Committee of the Cricket Council, to allow Imran Khan to play for Sussex from the end of July.

With the exception of Sussex themselves there is unanimous indignation in the other 16 counties at what has been allowed, just as there is for the way Tony Greig has undermined the immediate future of the England team.

What seems to have happened successive win when they defeated Glamorgan by 10 wickets, to retain their lead in the championship. Derbyshire v Kent

What seems to have happened imran's case is that the law the land regarding, for one ing, "restraint of trade", has a cricketing one, for the sace of six weeks, which is all the cricket that Imran will get for Sussex this season, the counties, administrators and players, feel that loyalty has been dealt a blow by the law.

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is and 21 runs. ire duly secured their the season, and it is thatever the weather, ould have had to wait ir, because they are good side, even of their famous Northamptonshire a happy match, and gretted winning the hatever we may say ck and the decisions

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Athletics McTear's 100 metres

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to the bid of British Bloodstock Agency and now goes to David Nugent at Lambourn. Timmie's Bartle, the winner of six of his right races over jumps went for 24,000 guneus to a cash purchaser, and will stay with Stephen-Norwalk, California, May 30.—
Houston McTear, of United States, the joint holder of the 100 yards world record, ran the fastest 100 metres in the world this year, 10.14sec, at the first annual Muhammad Ali invitational meeting here today. McTear beat the 1976 Olympic 100 metres champion: Hasely Crawford, of Trinidad, who finshed in 10.22sec. Steve Williams, of United States, and James Gilkes, of Guyana, were third and fourth. son.
The previous record was 20,000 guineas for Princess Camilla at Doncaster in 1974. EDGEHILL CHASE James Gilkes, of Guyana, were third and fourth.

McTear got off to a tast start and led all the way. He called it "the best start I have had this year. I know that I can break the world record, and I am looking for it some time this year." The 100-metre world mark of 9.95 sec. was set by Jim Hines, of United States, in 1968.

Charles Insenb. of Tripidad, won 10-3 Top Three 11-11-1 Mr Jackson 7 D10 Mr Wrekm. 12-11-1 R. F. Davies 1907 Sonn's Boy. 7-19-0 J. Williams 5-1 Toposhus. 19-10-0 L. Walkinson 5-1 Toposhus. 19-10-0 K. Walkinson 5-1 Toposhus. 19-1 John's Boy. 4.20 ROYALIST HURDLE

Charles Joseph, of Trinidad, won the 400 metres in 46.32sec; Michael Boit, of Kenya, the 800 metres in 1min 45.7sec and Ray Flynn, of Ireland, the 1.500 metres in 3min 40.9sec. The star of the women's events was Britain's Andrea Lyuch who won the 100 metres in 11.58sec and the 200 metres in 23.64sec.—Reuter.

Operation for striker

Liverpool's Welsh international striker, John Toshack, will have an

striker, John tosneck, win dave an operation later this week on the achilles tendon injury, which has kept him out of action since Liverpool's European Cup win over St Etienne, at Antield, on March 16.

Christenurch, May 31.—Luton Town bear Canterbury 3-1 here today. Fuccillo scored twice, once from the penalty spot, and Husband scored the other.—

Basebali AMERICAN LEAGUE: Minyapkee Browers 4, Chicago White Sox 3 and 3—81; Seattle Bruers 7, Texas Rangers 4 and 2—3; Kansas City Royals 4, Toronto Blue Jays 1; Cleve-and Indones 1; Calliornia Angels U. Cakand Athleths 6, Derivat Tigers 3, New York Yankees 5, Boston Red Sox 4; Bakimore Orioles 9, Minnesota Twins 7.

Non-playing captain. The Ryder Cup Committee decided yesterday that the captain of the team to meet the Americans

George offer denied Swiss side, FC Zurich.

Squire and

Neary called up ing ferocity carried Kent back into Contention.

Asil hit two sixes against Miller and Eatham pulsed Tunnichiffe for another. But Derbyshire by Lions can'te for another. But Derbyshire got back into the game when Hendrick got rid of them both in four overs. Know steadied the innings with a brisk 32, and when he was run out Underwood arrived to hit his first ball past Tunnicliffe for the winning boundary.

Rugby Union

another victory when they face the combined Wanganui-King Country side here tomorrow, the fifth match of their New Zealand form maken of their New Zoarand tour.

The local side, coached by former All Black, Colin Meads, hope to give the Lions a tough challenge, but are not likely to repeat their 12—6 win of 1966.

The Lions play Moss Kesne, of Ireland, and Weishman Alan Martin at lock. With Quinnell they should ensure domination of the lineours. Loose forwards Evans

should ensure domination of the lineouts. Loose forwards Evans and Cobner are being rested. In their places will be Neary and Squire, who will be having his first game of the tour.

Bennett will be playing for the first time alongside Morgan, and there will be a new tentre pairing of McGeechan and Fenwick.

Cordon Brown, the Scottish lock, missed training roday with a heavy cold. Also missing were Gibson, who still has back trouble, Burcher, who has a calf muscle strain, and Brynmor Willams, who injured an elbow in training yesterday.

The Oval
Leicestershire duly won their
first championship match of the
season, overwhelming Surrey by
eight wickets to take 18 points.
There were early alarms, however,

muscle strain, and Brynmor Wilitams, who injured an elbow in
training yesterday.

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Coleman. R. B. Stafford, J. W. Tarrant.
The selection of a goal-kicker
for the series against the Lions is
proving a headache for the New
Zealand selectors. The New Zealand 'team for the test here on
June 18 will be named next week.
New Zealand lost the 1971
series against the Lions and last
year's series in South Africa, both
times lacking a reliable kicker.
Of the four specialist kickers in
the All Black trials in Wanganui
on May 14 only Bevan Wilson. of
Otago, has displayed any consistency this season. Wilson's
opponent in the main trial match,
Clive Currie, of Wellington, does
not kick for his province so may
not be considered.
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Rowlands, the man many believe should be given the number
15 jersey, failed with his kicking
in the early, trial match. Although the early that match. Anthough he was top points scorer in New Zealand representative rugby with 159 points last season, and All Black full back in Argentina last year, Rowlands has lacked kicking, consistency at club level this year.

Wison, the other full back and reachibles in Argenting is also goal-kicker in Argentina, is also in the doldrums. He has scored just 11 points from the three first class matches.—Reuter.

Cycling

Kaminski's brave attempt falls two miles short

Bert Scheuneman, of the Netherlands, sprinted to success in the second stage of the Milk Race. 102 miles from Kings Lyng to Leicester. In another bunched finish, the yellow jersey of Ryszard Szurkowski, of Poland, was a stage of the stage was again prominent after Viadimir Kaminski, of the Soviet Union, had made a brave attempt Szurkowski was denied his

miles.

Szurkowski was denied his second successive stage win by inches, with all but five riders contesting the final sprint. It was a day of attacks, the helpful wind giving riders confidence, and there was rarely a moment when the field were together.

Kaminski eventually broke away on the Corby by-past and, with 16 miles left, he led by two minutes. Kaminski eventually broke away on the Corby by-past and, with 16 miles left, he led by two minutes. Kaminski who won a gold medal in the 100 kilometres team time trial event in the Montreal Olympics tried desperately to stay ahead but the Poles massed at the front of the pack in the last 10 miles and caught him two miles from the line. Szurkowski retained his overall lead.

SECOND STAGE: 1, B Scheuneman Notherlands, John Jimm 1982. 3, R. Sturkowski (Poland: 1, R. Voung 18, S. Halland, R. S. L. Halland, R. S. L. Halland, R. S. L. Halland, Poland: 1, R. Voung 18, B. Halland, R. S. L. Halland, R. S. L. Halland, R. S. L. Halland, R. S. L. Halland, R. S. Scheuneman, 7:13-13: 3, V. Vendreck (Cochoslovakia), 7-13-13: 5, B. Scheuneman, 7:13-13: 3, V. Vendreck (Cochoslovakia), 7-13-13: 9, B. Scheuneman, 7:13-14: n. S. Gassienov (USSR), 7-43-15. Polints classification: 1, R. Surkowski, 2, Poland, 3, Poland

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Parlica, 55 6:49; 5, R. de Witte, Religion, 55:11:55; 6, J. de Vignel, Belgium, 55:12.

Rugby League Accurate kicking aids Brisbane

Brisbane, May 31.—France's prospects in the Rughy League world cup slumped here tonight when they were beaten 14—12 by Brisbane.

Each side scored two tries, but the accuracy of Priebase's and the accuracy of Brisbane's goal-kicking captain lan Pearce, pro-vided the narrow winning margin. Pearce kicked four goals from seven attempts, while French

Pearce kicked four goals from seven attempts, while French winger Jose Moya scored three from six.

Jose Calle, the French captain, scored both their tries, Gardiner and Ribut scored for Brishane, and the referee twice, called an interpretter on to the field to explain his rulings.—Reuter.

Lancashire doubts

Barry Wood, who has a back injury and the Lancashire captain David Lloyd, who has been suffering from Influenza, are doubtful for the game against Worcestershire at Worcester today. Bernard Reidy is included in a party of

Operation for Johnson Graham Johnson, of Kent, went into hospital in Canterbury yesterday to have a cartilage operation on his left knee. He saw a special-ist in the morning and is expected to be out of the game for between

Aid for Universities

Royal Insurance continue the involvement in university cricket this year by sponsoring the com-bined Oxford and Cambridge University ream against the Austra-lians at Oxford on June 23 and June 24. Last year Royal Insur-ance sponsored the combined team against the West Indians.

Adversity stimulates Panatta recovery

Tennis Correspondent

Peris, May 31

Christopher Montram, of Kingston, aged 21, was besten 2—6, 4—6, 6—4, 6—4, by Adriano Panacta, who won the title last year, in the French tennis championships here today. They occupied the centre court of the famous Roland Garros stadium, for two hours and 43 minutes, and—as had been the case when he beer Paulo Bertolucci in the previous round—Mottram had the satisfaction of hearing an ovation echoing around him as he walked off that mighty arens. off that mighty arena.

The sunny afternoon was tempered by blustery breezes that raised clouds of dust and sometimes blew the linesmen's traw.

times blew the linesmen's trawhats acros the court. Pametra'
toss-up was affected and his fierce
first service was less consistently
penetrating than usual. But
throughout the match he defied
the wind—even exploited it—by
exemplary lobbing that so tormented the 6ft 3½in Mothram that
repeatedly there was nothing that
the youngster could do extept to
turn, watch the tangible evidence
of a lost point bouncing towards
the backstop, and how his head
in frustration.

Panatra smashed well, too, and
Mottram's frequently short lobs-

in frustration.

Panatra smashed well, too, and Motram's frequently short lobs did not make the task as difficult as it might have been. The Italian had clearly learned by Bertolucci's example that Motram was vulnerable to the drop shot. But' after a promising carly indulgence in drops, Panatra for some reason did not snake much use of them. use of them.
It is doubtful if Mortram has It is doubtful if Mortrom has ever maintained his game at such a high level for so long. His concentration was firm and he was always thinking constructively and working out little ways of trying to disturb Panatra's composure and rhythm. Motram looks an ungainly chap. Between points he kept his head down but his eyes were restless and his mind active. He was continually bitching up his shorts, a familiar mannerism.

Mottram broke service in the first game of each of the first two sets. This did Panatta's confidence nothing but harm. Mottram was teasing him all the mannerism.

miss a few easy shots and looked peevish about it. In the sixth game Panatta reached deuce for game Panatta reached deuce for the first time on Mottram's service. But he failed to break through. His mien suites Panatta lost 19 points out of 22. Bis backhand was mistiring. The man was clearly a prey to self-doubt.

It was not until the eighth game of the second set that Panatta had his frist break point of the match. A drop shot earned him that chance and he exploited it with a backhand service return.

backhand, he broke through for 3—5 and then held his own service to love. Again Panatta served for the march—and again Mottram re-fused to yield. Panatta went 0— 30 down. Then Mottram muffed a service return, and Panatta aroundly won three more noints promptly won three more points for the match, which he finished

Miss Tyler may be called up for Federation Cup

Michele Iyler, the Isyler-old British No 4, may replace Linda Mottram in Britain's Federation Cup team at Eastbourne next month. Miss Mottram returned sick from the French champion-ships in Paris two days agn and has since undergone a series of

could be a number of things wrong but the doctor has said that most likely it could be either glandular fever or anaemia." The results will be known by the end of the week, buf Miss Mottram, who had treatment last year for a blood disorder, has pulled out of next week's event at Chichester as a

precaudos.
This will not leave her any time for competitive tennis before the Federation Cup starts on June 13. Now the Lawn Tennis Association whether to take a chance on her fitness or put Aliss Tyler back in the side before the final nomina-bons close next Wednesday.

the side peters the small normal point close next Wednesday.

BECKENHAM RESULTS. Mon's singles Second round at Printendenn (Australia beat 1, Kantowama) (Printendenn (Australia beat 1, Kantowama) (Australia beat 1, Kantowama) (Australia beat 1, Kantowama) (Australia), beat 1, Kantowama

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Czechoslovaks drop four

out are Pavarruk, Masny, Petras and Panenka. All four played against Switzerland a fortrught against Switzerland a fortught ago, when Crechoslovakia lost 1—0. Crechoslovakia have two more matches to plzy in group seven of the World Cup, away to Scotland and home to Wales. They beat Scotland 2—0 at home last autumn but lost 3—0 in Wales, in March, and at their present low with they desperately need to win against Austria to regain some of their confidence.

For Austria, tomorrow's match top players

Prague. May 31.—The European champions. Czechoslovakia, who have lost all their four international matches this year, meer Austria tomorrow for what they hope will be a morale-hoosting win. The Czechoslovak team manager. Vaclay lezek, has dropped four of his top players from his party for the friendly match in Ostrava. The players left

This year, put your money ona quick one.





five, with Willey out. Rouse took several valuable wickets, including this one. He is certainly a bowler of spirit, though his direction is AMu Warwickshire Northamptonshire (5)

of spirit, mough in all the consider him for higher honours.

I saw only the last two days of this match, an odd one, odd strokes, odd decisions. But there is no doubt that the result was the right one. I wish I could think the right one. I wish I could think the result was the right one. I wish I could think the result was the made who have

the right one. I wish I could turnle Willey, who made some brave hits, was a Test cricketer, always providing that we have such things as Tests after this summer. Afternatively, his future may lie with the opposition: he is just the kind of tough young man they would like to pick up on their journeys round the world.

Extrac to 1 no 10:

first caught at the warmershine: First lanings, 451 Hummage, and the 2d. That was 96 for followed by 112 for Catters T. F. Brooks and D. O. Ontoer

ion and S. M. Stair did not bet.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1—0, 2—65,
3—76. —79. 8—100. 6—110.

BOWENG: Snow. 16—5—2:
Spencer 6—1—7—1: Greig. 4——16

-0: Walter, 18:2—5—14—5: Buss.
5—1—13—0.

County championship Yorkshire (B) Middlesex (1) Kent (14) Northanis (2) Essex (6) Warwicks (5) Gloucester (5) Nottinghm (1) Leicester (4)

Today's cricket COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP ILKESTON: Derbyship v Gloucesier-shire 11.0 to 6.30; DARTFORD: Kent v Middlese 111.0 10 6.30;

Umptres: D. Sang Hue and A. G. T. Whitehead. Surrey v Leicester

Leicestershire (18 pts) beat Surrey (6) by 8 wickets.
SURREY: 220 (J. Birkenshaw & for 74) and 107 (K. Shattleworth S. for 38 DARTFORD: Kent v Middlese. 11.0
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RULL: Yorkshire II v Warwickshire II
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MARCH: Cambridgeshire v Senterset
WREWSBURY: Shrosshire v Senterset

Hockey Southgate may be forced to defend title in Spain not withdrawn their offer. CD Tarrassa, a Spanish club, beat Schwarz-Weiss, of Cologue, 3-2 after extra time for third place.

By Sydney Friskin
The European club hockey championship, which ended in London on Monday, could have done with more public support. It was efficiently run by the Hockey Association on behalf of Southeast who won the hide last Hockey Association on behalf of Soughgare, who won the title last year and retained it with much honour. By doing so, they earned the right for the tournament to be held in England again, but it is doubtful if the Hockey Association or any other organization will risk taking on such a big financial responsibility next year.

It was revealed after the final that the organizers needed a sum of £4,500 in gate receipts in order of 14,500 in gate receipts in order
to break even, but the total
takings fell far short of that
figure. The response from the
large number of hockey clubs in
England was depressingly poor.
The event will probably go to
Burcelona. The Spaniards
expressed their eagerness to run
it, probably in expectation of it, probably in expectation of winning in London. Although they went home with only the bronze medal, their enthusiasm was not dampened, and they have

especially in a goalmouth scramble when two successive shots hit a post. Unluckler still were kampong, of the Netherlands, who deserved to have finished much higher than they did. Only when they beat Nortingham 6—0 in the play-off for fifth place did they find their best form.

By finishing sixth, Nortingham find their best form.

By finishing sixth, Nortingham made sure that Slough, the new English club champions, will qualify automatically for next rear's European Cup. The East European clubs, particularly Suboticanka of Yugoslavia, gained valuable experience and should offer a serious challenge soon.

Southgate's team for the final had 10 international players, one

The Germans were unlucky, specially in a goalmouth scramble

Southgate's team for the final had 10 international players, one of whom was Cattrall, of Wales. Royal Uccle, of Belgium, who were beaten 4—1 in the final, fielded Simon Lunn, a Welshman, and Kenneth Hay, a Scot. both resident in Brussels. But they still fell far short of Southgate in class and skill.

Colin Murphy, the Derby County manager, vesterday denied that the clab had accepted a £250,000. offer for Charles George from the

at Royal Lytham and St Annes in September will be non-playing.

Football

Wales find all that England seek

Wales, the emerging power among the home countries, last night heat England for the first time at Wembley. Their football contained almost everything that England still, value sock, especially familiarity within their teamwork. Don Revie, the manager, hored this England side would form the basis of the team to play in the crucial World Cup match against Italy next November, against Scot-land on Saturday and three South American countries on the forthcoming tour. It may still have to be because there is no time left for further experimentation, but here can now be no optimism .. a

their behalf. Wales, it had been suggested, would detend solidly enough to provide England with more pracprovide England with more practice in the riving art of piercing a wide, solid wall and, indeed, the Welsh did withdraw under the initial signs of pressure. Yet, after they had looked after themselves in this fashion for the first half an hour or so, they outstripped England in the alternative art of creating opportunities.

They made much the more positive contribution to a same that spent too long in a low key. Much as England's reunited forward line of Channon, Pearson and Keegan begon by showing marginally more fiation that recent alignments, their penetration was always poor.

tion was always poor.
The only England player to approach what Mr Revice said he demanded, "club form", was demanded, "club form", was Erooking, who was more confortable in the centre of midfield, moving our towards the wings. It was surprising, therefore, that he was surprising therefore, that he was substituted during the second half. He was the only player to make inruads behind the Welsh defence, although nothing came of his invention either deep in midfield or when be went ahead. Wales were the first to bring a competitive feeling albeit unturity, when Yoruth slid into Greenholf and had his name taken. At least that showed that there was some that showed that there was some fire in the Welsh team and, as was fire in the Weish team and, as was expected, James was the cause of England's worst embarrassmen. His head down, determinedly carrying the ball down the wing, he was a constant threat. Sayer frequently moved into unmarked positions to increase England's troubles in defence.

The first time Sayer came to notice was whe abor winpped the ball off Hughes's feet just outside the penalty area and although that movement came to nothing, the

movement came to nothing, the bint was drapped. Three times before they finally

scined a few seconds before helf-time, the Welsh emphasized the inadequacy of England's central defensive covering.

Another fost, direct approach by James and a good centre arrived at the feet of Sayer well before he had been spotted, but Mills moved quickly to stifle the shot. Evans headed narrowly over the bar and the Welsh kept pressing forward north page offerned forward until Deacy was offered the ball 10 yards out and totally unmarked. Perhaps disturbed by to much freedom, he fumbled over his shot and Wales had to obtain the lead they deserved by means of a penalty.

Not that the construction Not that the penalty was an unsatisfactory means of empha-



Shilton brings down James to concede the vital penalty. Hughes (foreground) and Neal

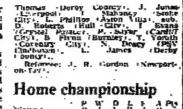
Shilton.

The penalty was inestable and James put it away without difficulty. Only now, when under threat, did England enliven their game with some fresh spirit. Leggin becan to win the half and he headed narrowly wide from Kennedy's centre, and Pearson bruke free more frequently.

Their escape from a warring defeat seemed certain when Brooking offered Pearson another chance on the left of the penalty area. Davies fore out to intercept and Pearson curtwheeled in the air. It was impossible to know whether

English defence. A forward pass trom Yorath should have been intercepted by Hughes in the penalty area, but he seemed to timuk Shilton might come out and clear. In the moment of uncertainty fames rushed in galand control but was bundled down by Shilton. foiled Channon at the last second of a fine, swerving run and was alert to all other dangers. One was left feeling satisfied with the continuing progress of the Welsh and again dissatisfied with the entire England performance. In one week from now they play figured frightening.

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Hamburg. May 31.—Hamburg, the European Cup Winners' Cup holders, will complete the signing of Kevin Keegan on Friday, the club's general manager, Peter Krohn, said here today.

He said that Liverpool's secretary, Peter Robinson, had agreed by telephone to the transfer—Agence France-Presse.

Blanchflower plans to swamp the Scots

Perhaps with the block frish record of a mere three goals in their last 10 home championship

Danny Blanchflower plans to swamp the Scots with his trish troops in the home international at Hampden Park tonight. Mr. Blanchflower, a firm believer in attacking fuotball, is deeply conscious of Northern Ireland's persistent goal famine.

He Intends to mark his lack of a dependable striker by pushing a green-shirted Irish army into Scotland's penalty area. He said:

"I want at many as six men to get into the Scotland box at one time. The emphasis will be on positive, artacking play, as it was against England on Saturday."

Perhaps with the bleak Irish

Take in mind, Mr Blanchflower has called William Caskey, a Glentoron striker, into the party. Bet askey will travel to Glasgow only for the effective. It was effective.

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Horse show

Speculator sets an unbeatable target

By Pemera Macgregor-Morris
'Deborch' Johnsey and Speculator, drawn second of 13 finalists
for the Radio Rentals Stakes on
the first day of the Royal Bath
and West Society's bicetatennalshow, set a target of 46 Isec and
then clung on grindy to their lead
while all their ricals tried in rain
to bear them: Miss Johnsey was
rewarded by receiving her trophy
from the Prince of Wales, the
official guest of the show on the
first of a five-day meeting.
Tony Newberry and Warwick
III were negrest at the finish, onerenth of a second slower. David
Broome, on Heatwaye, disputed
third place with Pauline Wake,
field, on Yorksport, with 46.4sec.
Richard Meade, newly returned,
from his honeymoon in South
Africa, judged the hunters singlehanded, as is, the usual practice
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handed, are is the usual practice here, and rude them well. But some of his decisions were hard to follow. Having established the type of horse he preferred; he issued to adhere to it.

Equestrian ability is no criterion of the possession of an eye for a horse-indeed, it is rare that the two are combined. There is much to be said for having an older sudge who has had many boxess through his hands to assess conformation while a voace, rising judge reads the benefit of his experience. One cannot but admire the show secretary who was requested to firste Cauzan Mark Phillips to judge hunters at his show, and refused to do so in the knowledge that the ability to ride across country need not indicate an ability to judge conformations. Lady Zhuan Polhock entered three horses. Those ridden by Vincent Toulson—a lightweight, Talk of the Town, and a heavyweight. Balmoral won. Malmoral redeemed his class defeat at the Shrowshury and at the Amark and Windsor. But Lady Zinnia's outstanding middleweight, Crown Court, who stood supreme at Shrewshury and at the Herdord-shire Show with Ruth McMullen, was defeated in the middleweight class.

The winner, Bob Trigg's six-year-

was defeated in the middleweight class.

The winner, Bob Trigg's six year-old Sandpiper, by Hanover and bred in North Devon, caused a surprise when he went on to stand reserve champion. But Miss McMulten attained some compensation in the 15.2 hands class with Goldent Surprise, a four-year-old chestnut who gave the holders of the Wembley title, Robert Oliver on Miss Taylor's Fostpath, their first defeat of the season.

Colonel Jock Afkins gave the champtonship of some strong breeding classes to Messrs Beever and Syker's bay three-year-old Hepworth, by Raise You Ten, who has grown th right way during the wietter. Down the line at Newark, here he stood supreme at the expense of the champion there,

Star Americans brought down earth by two carefree Britons

side their own countries.

This is no new story in championships of this nature, but the victory of Bernard Moldrum over the holder contained an unusual amount of tragi-contedy. Moldrum is 47 and has played 85 times for Yorkshire; he entored this year probably only because he lives not too far away. There were those prepared to say after he had been brought back to all square by losing the 13th and 14th, and had hit a weak drive up the 15th, that he was ripe to be placked. How wrong they were! Siderowf outplayed him from the tee, but the Yorkshireman putted him gruelly out of the calimptonship.

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He started his recovery by holing from 30 feet on the 15th, taking the lead after, the American had been bunkered. At the 16th he topped his second but got a half with a pitth and an eight foot putt. Worse was to come for Siderowf; at the 17th Meldrum's drive, half topped, struck one of the white posts lining the road and stopped as if by magic on a clear patch near the women's tee in front of the sea of gorse.

From there he struck a five iron to the from edge and holed again, from all of 20 feet for the match, while the wincing American could not get down in two from a bunker by the green. It was a horried way to go but Siderowf has had a wonderful run in this event; his painful defeat to some extent balances some good luck that brought him to the final and ultimate victory a year ago.

The defeat of the American champlon came as less of a shock. His opponent, Effis, probably plays a good deal more in and around Gasagow than Meidrum, and Sander has not the solid record of achievement that some young Americans have at his age. Shis set the tone of the match by winning the first two holes in burdies and the American hevergot back on to terms. Three drives were his undown. The first, into the Eorse, set him off on the wrong foot, although he would probably have lost that opening-hole to his opponent's time. Then at the 11th, after he had want a hole back at the 9th

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Golf Correspondence

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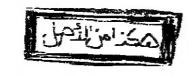
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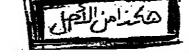
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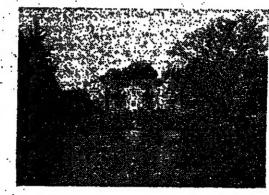
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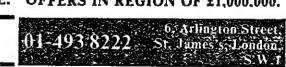
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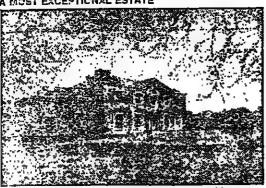
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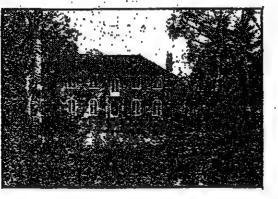
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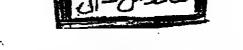
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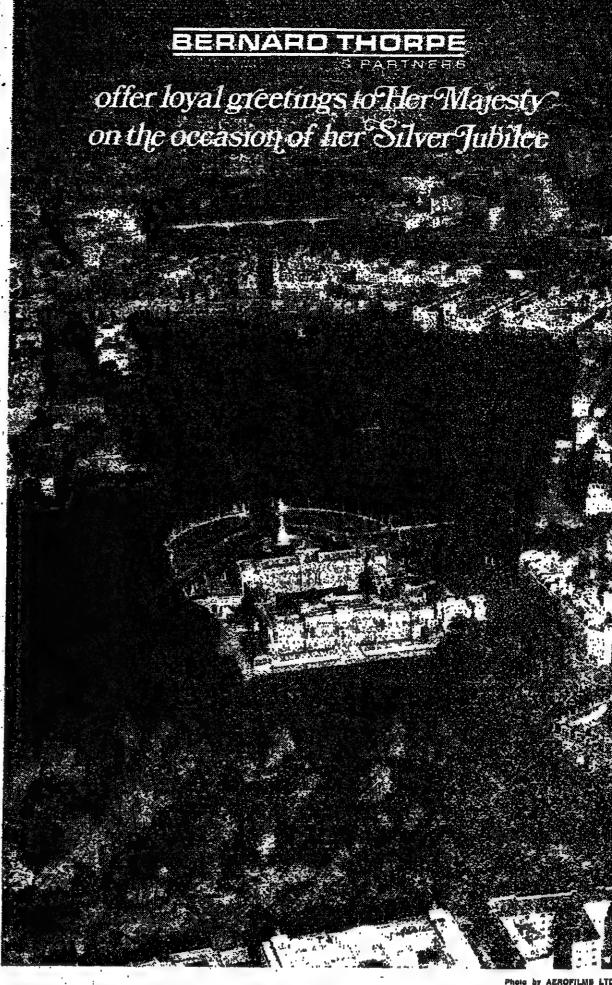
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Royal Opera House en fête The opera

The operatic half of the Royal time rather cateful of volume, "Soave saa. Il vento " from

One of those operas has been Berlioz's The Trojons. The opening of the Carthage half, with the entry of Lido and choral homage to her as monarch, was felicitously, turned into a chorus of praise for our own Queen, Preceded the standard house operation of the control of the carthage half, and the carthage half, by standard-bearers, while the Carthaginian folk assembled, Josephine Veasey as Dido, with her entourage, solemnly pro-cessed through the stalls up to the stage during "Hail, all hail to the Queen", at the end they all knelt in the direction of the ad hoc royal box as they repeated those words, Dido included. It was a nice tribute to cap Gordon Jacob's splendid version of the British national anchem, complete with brave fanfares, which celebrated the

arrival of the royal party. After that the operatic programme broke into short items, "Eha giammai m'amo" to recall the centenary production of Verdi's Don Carlos and long years of distinguished artistry here by Boris Caristoff, this

pany's past and present direc-

The operatic half of the Royal Opera House's silver jubilee gala properly drew attention to some singers and operas that stones in the company's work since 1957, but sensibly did not labour the point.

One of those operas has been Berlioz's The Trojans. The opening of the Carthage half, with the entry of Dido and thoral homase to her as Bacquier from Paris joined Sir Bacquier from Paris joined Sir Bacquier from Paris joined Sir Geraint Evans (two staiwarts of this house) in the jolly patter-duct, "Cheti, cheti" from Donizetti's Don Pasquale, and lavished inexhaustible artistry and fun on its diversified drollery, even to the traditionally. obligatory encore.

Carl Toms had placed them in front of a Pollock style false proscessium which depicted the two singers supporting the royal monogram, a pretty conroyal monogram, a pretty conceit. There was more jollity in
the "Dunque io son" duet
from Rossin's Burbiere diSiviglia, when Thomas Allen
and Anne Howells pretended,
to accompany their recitatives
on the visible barpsichord.
Those singers were there to
remind us how important, in
the last 25 years, Brisish artists
have become to opera throughhave become to opera through fanatics.

Likewise it was in the trio

Ballet lends itself more readily Seymour joining Wayne Eagling than opera to gala occasions, (as Ralegh, perhaps) in an were put to extraordinary example the Royal Ballet's contriingeniously involved duet.

Once again Fonteyn's hands were put to extraordinary expressive use, whether shyly than opera to gala occasions, and the Royal Ballet's contriburion to Monday's Covent Garden gala achieved the desired mixture of spectacle, bravura and tribute without needing to look further afield than the creations of the com-

"danced La Volta high", the deep arabesques and unorthodox supported turns were not entirely majestic. No complaints, however, about the choreographic invention for a group of six attendant gentlemen, who began the proceedings with an exhibitatingly boisterous entry, full of jumps, hand slappings, and turns. A vigorous duel for Michael Coleman and Graham Fletcher, and the breathalkingly intricate tors.
It began and ended with comit began and ended with complete works, Symphonic Variations to reveal six of its principals in the spocheosis of
Ashton's lycical style, and
La Valse to show a large ensemble with equal success. In
between came three party
pieces, two of them specially
made for the occasion. the breathrakingly intricate solo for Stephen Beagley, were other highlights.

Kenneth MacMillan's Gloriana used the festive dances from Britten's opera, with an off-stage chorus halling the virgin queen as the embodiment of Concord. Taking them out of context permitted her to be not just a spectator but a participant in the dances, with Lynn Hamlet Prelude showed that Ashum still has something new to say about the talents of Margot Fonteyn and Rudolf Nureyev. With music by Liszt and a decor of green woodkinds by Carl Tome, it managed to suggest in a brief space a great deal about Ophelia and Hamlet.

Once again Fonteyn's hands as Raiegn, permaps) in an ingeniously involved duet.

Even for one who was notorious for the way she in sorrow for the feet of her danced La Volta high", the angry lover, or wrung as she deep arabesques and unorthodox supported turns were not. Nureyev's Hamlet began and entirely majestic. No comended in a pale cast of thought, plaints, however, about the but between whites the scholar choreographic invention for a mired men of action, with

burned man of action, with some highly energetic solo passages, and changes of most as quick as Shakespeare ever imagined. Even the showpiece pas de deux expected on such occasions was home-grown, MacMillan's Pavane, with Donald Mac-Leary handsomely parmering Lesley Collier. Two final thoughts: we should certainly have Symphonic Variations with this cast back in the repertory; and has the Royal Ballet ever before had a gala when the men, on balance, outdanced the

John Percival



Michael Culver and Derek Jacobi

Philby, Burgess and Maclean

Granada -

Michael Ratcliffe Lest there be any doubt as in how we should regard the three, spies in Ian Curreis's melodrama, the music of Alan Parker dispelled it. Member of the Blue Mink group, session

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and key-change after another. a case could certainly be made
Even if Mr Curtels had been for a four-part series, going making subtle points about back to Cambridge and for motive and behaviour, which he was not, the music told us plantly these men are villains, the marriages of Philby and plantly they do next. Which we did. The impeccably firm, thanks to the playing of plausible playing of Anthony and Elizabeth Seal (Melinda Maclean). Visually Gordon Plently incongruous flavour. maciean). Visuary Guton Fre-myng's production and Mike Grimes's designs were per-fectly in period—Lowat greens, office hairstyles and French windows—whilst resisting all the excesses of "nostalgia", richly incongruous flavour.

the Blue Mink group, session guitarist and amranger for French and American films, Mr Perker erupted into the play with wailing saxes, plangent drums and stomach-lurching plunges into one air-pocket with such professionalism and care that it gripped from beginning to end, Mr Curteis to the Wolkog. American films, Mr Perker erupted into the play with wailing saxes, plangent drums and stomach-lurching plunges into one air-pocket

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Palladium Ned Chaillet

All the old Broadway virtues are there in abundance in Chica Rivera's Palladium show: brassy singing, high-kicking exuberance, hight choreography and disciplined professional support. Alchough it has been 12 years since sile spreared in London, her career has not gone in-

supporting her songs and prov-ing to be fodder for friendly jokes, are three young men introduced as Frank, Michael and Leland. Their chorus-line professionalism and an easy informatity, when the micro-phones failed, set off her own intense talent.

Miss Rivera cruised through a song dedicated to her chorus "My Babies and Me". boys, and plunged into a song from her career has not gone in Sweet Charity and a fast-paced noticed, and the songs from the medley of songs from West Side shows that made her famous. Story. Here is a charty show, shows that made her famous. Story. Hers is a charty show, drew applause before she even appeared, with tunes in the overture dating back to West side Story and coming up to Chicago, a great New York success that has little chance of coming to London.

But she brought a lot of Broadway with her. Behind her, matching her kick for kick, with the sia a charty show, veering from dynamic dancing to cosy, informed conversations with the audience while she sets up the mood for a gentle story from Rodgers and Hart or a song from Firmy Lady, chosen because she likes the song and the songwiners, though she has nothing to do



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Derek jacobi restore

of the Renaissance to break into falser:

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Hamlet : Old Vic

Irving Wardle

When this play opens with a parade of the dramatis personae. parade of the dramatis personae, through billowing smoke and goes on to stage the most famous sollioney in the language as a speech to a mute Ophelia. ("Soft you now, the fair Ophelia" becoming a line to shut her up), one starts to suspect the whole show as a desperate attempt to break aut of Shakespearian routing.

Toby Robertson's production lends further support to this view with some unexpected cuts and rearrangements (textually defended in the programme).

and rearrangements (textually defended in the programme), including the loss of "How all occasions", and the switching of the Claudius-Laertes mander plan to the graveyard. As we also get such additions as a preliminary carnival performance by the players, the show still runs to close on three and a half ficure.

thoroughly orthodox produc-tion; and this is its main strength. Robin Archer's set presents the legendary Eismore stripped to essentials; a bare stripped to essentials; a bare stage receding into cavernous darkness, with the suggestion of a lofty central doorway, and flanked by porcraits of the two monarchs. The natural element of this palace is derkness, probed at strategic moments by Nick Chelton's surgical lighting. Recant performances of the play (including Finney's) have manulad or unstaged its pro-

mangled or upsiaged its pro-tagonist. This time, Hamlet is style, wholly drains undoubtedly back in control. Silences all objective

Bach Chor

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Stanley Sadie

Germen-born, Italian-trained, German-born, Italian-trained, the suprema composer of French overtures: that is the background of the man who, having embraced British nationality in time for the 1727-coronation, has a better claim than most to be counted our national composer. Handel's anthems are still used at coronations; and it was to him that the Bach Choir surned for their jubilee concert.

inbilee concert. It was the wrong side of the river. With Westminster Abbey, brachtally within view, it was a pity to be listening to this music, built to echo round the vandring, in a setting so much drier. The choir's staccatos in Zadok the priest rang out like gunshots: a commentary equally on their precision and on the acoustics. The basses semiquaver runs too stood up

to the exposure.

For a choir of around 250 voices, this is a remarkably flexible instrument. It did David Willcocks credit with its strong and shapely singing, its supple lines, its springy

Grandmother's Footsteps -

It has finally come to Les-Oeufs Malade at lunchtime at the King's Head. Bryony Lavery's troupe of "bad eggs.". are, however, more tasty than their name suggests, and their new surreal bout of games play-ing. Grandmother's Footsteps, while not a wholly realized play and more a sequence of gradu-ally revealing songs and routines, shows a developing popular

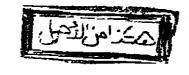
You're going to win by submissive, cheap tricks? asks one woman, thoroughly

vivacity in its botpersonal ersonal songs Evening Standa former nymphor mate, and a son "What is a cigar much the same wal asks, "What exact Crystal and I to have a mic

to have a mc Crystal wants make her younge of 21. Aging of a threat the game she is the omino is the omino Grandmother's which her flatn "Lesbian Frigic Miss Lavery's oblique, for the this play founder

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Some of the notices on this page are reprinte day's later editions.



to the part for the endowed for hernic makes much use of so that, when the outbursts have the impact impact, file also believes

new business. It is fertile in extending brece of work is a becomes an extract book Hamlet was re: previous scene: le graveyard, he meke Claudius with Yor And it is further and it is further that he is never over by Timothy West's

mild genial figure mendous anger and in check; periodical loose in single volca half hours.

This is also the Despite the novelties, it is a duction I have see Gertrude (Barbar, takes Hamlet's advi and turns against after the closet Gertrude, come sha ramoves his

makes a cold solo ex Not all the comp to the same world. a most unlikely Suzaune Bertish's sively modern Ophr in itself, Miss Ber

FOVEDING. plenty of vitality, pressive music shaded: Occasional that a smaller choir more of a passage, the two lightly scor but the extra gran King Shall Rejoice to inspire anti-pur Tempos were well natural; perhaps tandos and pauses

of sections were a Between the an Preston, our leading of Handel's orga played three of the them. In the "Cu-Nightingale" he allowed us two of in dialogue. In 1 from Op 7, the T ber Orchestra sombre introduction Mr Preston provi ing movement; be Hall organ could to produce the re Allegro, and h where he was cross-beat phrasin mannered kind.
Op 7 No 1 with tural grandeur

King's Head

Ned Chaillet

and original style.

Miss Lavery owes visible Miss Lavery owes visible debts to the pataphysics of Alfred Jarry, to music-hall, to the patter of Noel Coward; but the strongest impression left by the new play is a feminist surrealism. Two women sharing a flat arrive home, spin a large creaking wheel and challenge each other to games of wit which the wheel determines. Thus their personal battles are fought through such rituals as fought through such rituals as the children's game of "Knock, Knock".

Yes", replies the other, but both resort to cheating as it ends, it is all over suits them. In addition to the with barely a games they have a repertoire of conclusion.

if it admitted to The acting, by Pipa Sparkes, clever. They ac tionate balanc friendly, angry, thoroughly en







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1R CARTER'S WORLD VIEW

Monday Mr Cyrus Vance, the ired States Secretary of State, d the north-south meeting in ris that America now agreed the need for common action moderate fluctuations in comdity prices, supply and earns". This represents a signifi-it change in American policy, ich under the previous ministration was not keen on erventions in world commodity rkets. The change was fore-dowed in a number of tements, including Mr Carter's ech to the United Nations on rch 17, when be said that the ited States was willing to coner with "a positive and open tude the : negotiation of eements to stabilize comdity prices. But it also repreits part of a much wider empt by Mr Carter to give her priority and new impetus relations with the developing trouble on themselves and the world. Even if their conflicts ndeed, judging from his are local and limited they can

blic statements, he regards s as one of the most important ks before his Administration, it clearly fits in with his ole pattern of thinking. Drisinger took the United States m a bi-polar to a multi-polar w of the world, but he still global stability depending gely on cooperation and commodation among the big itary and industrial powers. Carter rejects this concept. ve can no longer", he said on y 22, " separate the traditional ues of war and peace from the global questions of justice, nity and human rights. . . We

1 no longer have a policy ely for the industrial nations the foundation of global bility, but we must respond the new reality of a politically akening world. We can no seer expect that the other 150 ions will follow the dictates the powerful."

This policy sounds, and in ne ways is, idealistic. It umes that American ideals are

people will respond to them even where some governments do not. It is an approach that corresponds to Mr Carter's tendency to appeal to the American people over the heads of Congress. It is, however, based on a coherent view of how the world is developing. Mr Carter is rightly worried that the gap between the world's rich and poor is widening and that the poorest countries, in which almost half the world's population live, are stagnating while their debts rise out of control. He believes that this can create the same type of tension and conflict as gross and growing inequality within one society or one country. If deve-loping countries begin to lose faith in their own ability to develop and in the willingness of the rich to help them they can very quickly bring a lot of

ignite wider conflagrations. The attempt to find more effective ways of helping them is therefore not only a matter of ideals or charity, though it may receive additional drive from Mr Carter's own ideals. It is also an attempt to foster world peace and stability by reducing poverty and injustice. Beyond this it could, if successful, serve American interests by earning stronger and wider support for them than has sometimes been provided by alliances with in-evitably transitory governments. It also makes economic sense in so far as the industrial nations need both the raw materials and the markets of the developing

drag in the great powers and

Whether Mr Carter will be successful is another matter. The formidable problems involved in negotiating with the developing countries have already become very apparent at the Paris talks, and his emphasis on human represents only a small and still force in the world and that rights is as unpopular in some

of the world's poorer capitals as it is in Moscow. Moreover in the long run the cooperation of Moscow itself will be required in dampoing rather than fomenting the troubles of the third world. Of this there is at the moment no sign at all. When Mr Brzezinski, the President's security adviser, said in a recent interview that "In this shrinking world the imperative of cooperation has become more urgent. And wer want to engage the Soviets in that cooperation on an equal and responsible basis Tass, the Soviet news agency,

ridiculed him.

Moscow, rich though it is by world stundards, insists on its ideological alignment with the poor and derides the "north-south theory" as "an attempt to split the unity of the socialist countries; and the third world" Mr Andriw Young, the American ambassacior to the United Nations, who has been working to win the confidence of black leaders in Africa, is dismissed as a zealpus defender of the interests of the imperialist mono-polies in southern Africa". More substantially, Moscow refuses to support of "wars of liberation".

For the moment, therefore, Mr
Carter's attempt to win friends

and influence people in the developing world will have to be more of a challenge than an invitation to the Soviet Union-though the invitation remains open. The challenge is far from hopeless. The United States and its allies have a great deal more to offer in the way of sid and skills, and now that the main wave of decolonization has passed it is easter for the United States to shed its image as the ideological protector of the forces of reaction. There is, however, still a long road stretching between Mr Carter's hopes and their fulfilment. The change of tone and substance at the Paris conference

HE TERRORIST PROBLEMS OF EUROPE

is an unhappy coincidence that sterday's meeting of Ministers the Interior of the European mmunity on methods of coming terrorism should have en held on a day when, in one the member-states, the kind act under discussion by the nisters was actually taking ce. The capture of bostages the South Moluccais, and the sequent demands by the gun-i for the release of their coltues, and an aircraft to take m all out of the country, ows one of the now typical terrorist penaviour Dutch authorities have sibly reacted in the restrained which, from experience, is st likely to result in the safe ease of the hostages and render of the criminals. If the countries in the

nmunity, only Luxembourg, gium and Denmark have been e from politically modvated s of terrorism in the past few rs. Holiand has been unlucky having had on her territory. wo separate occasions, serious involving the South Molucs. whose grievances are nly against the Indonesian ernment rather than that of land itself. France, too, since Algerian troubles, has been ely free of terrorism aimed ter own institutions although re have been a number of dents connected with political flicts in other countries. West many has had two of the it borrifying examples of orist conduct of recent years, killings at the Munich mpics and the activities of the der-Meinhof gang. As the

ago of Herr Buback, the federal reforms are implemented, for possibility of continuing urban guerrilla action by terrorist groups in Germany must be taken seriously. The Republic of Ireland has suffered from outrages committed in the cause of the IRA, and the United Kingdom (quite apart from the continuing violence in Northern Ireland) has had both its share of those and the occasional violent manifestation connected with quarrels between foreign factions such as, for instance, SIDERIOR ID LODdon of the North Yemen minister.

Italy is going through a period . in which acts of political violence and terrorism are an almost daily occurrence. Extremists of both the right and the left conduct their bombing and shooting outrages with virtual impunity, and it is sometimes impossible to determine which side has been responsible. It is also difficult to assess accurately what proportion of the vast numbers of kidnappings are carried out for political purposes. The majority are probably motivated by the simple desire to make a great deal of money easily, but there has been clear evidence that the ransom money received for some kidnappings has found its way to extremist political groups. With selves ham come in fighting terrorist violence, and the system of criminal justice under con-siderable strain, the prospects of overcoming the conditions of near anarchy which sometimes anpear to obtain in the big cities do not look bright, even if the

attorney-general, shows, the which the Interior Minister-Signor Cossiga, is at present trying to gain the support of the various parties. The meeting in London yester-

day had the limited objective of

making possible an exchange of

views, information and experience about methods of combating terrorism. There already exists a high level of cooperation between the member-states of the Community on the subject, in addition to the channels of communication established through Interpol. It is essential that such cooperation continues. The relative ease with which political criminals can cross frontiers and the contacts which terrorist groups have with each other make it imperative that terrorism be treated not as national but as a European and international issue, and that the fight against it should be coordinated in every effective way. Earlier this year, seventeen member countries of the Council of Europe signed the European Convention on the Repression of Terrorism, but it has not yet come into force, and some countries have reservations about The Council of Europe is one forms for promoting the fight against terrorism. The European Community is another. The two may overlap, but that is no reason for considering the smaller unit unnecessary. The meeting of the EEC Interior Ministers may not have achieved anything concrete, but it is im-portant that such discussions should continue to be held regularly:

adication of tsetse

the Director of the Tsetse 30rch Laboratory While agreeing with many of points made by Dr Ormerod

der less than two months

ters, May 19) I question his view eradication of tsense flies from s of West Africa will result in ncrease in the area of unrestricovergrazing by cattle owned by adde peoples. Nigeria is the only atry in West Africa in which usive treatee eradication schemes in progress, some 75,000 square s having been cleared of the and Dr Ormerod's remarks; therefore be seen in the con-of events in that country.

igeria is a land-honory country a rapidly expanding human e vast areas idle, occupied only extse. Man's development of stilements and farmland has ed to the effects of the successeradication campaigns by causthe disappearance of teetse from y areas following the removal egetation, on which tsetse de-I for shelter, and game animals eady few in West Africa), on in they depend for food.

the short term, far from insing over-grazing this combina-of planned and unplanned ication of tsetse has released usive new areas for cattle grazand greatly reduced the grazing sure on the arid naturally fly-areas farther north. In the long 1. advantage must be taken of situation if land cleared of se is to be utilized in the most opriate manner (detailed land e surveys have been under-n in most of the former (setse s) taking due cognizance of the is of the traditional livestock

In West Africa as a whole I see the main danger to be guarded assens; in future as populations in-crease not as issues eradication but as brobezard land development and, in the context of cattle, steady en-croachment of subsistence farmg into areas of pasturage.

I agree with Dr Ormerod that the i agree wan Dr Ormerod that the moister zones nearer the coast of West Africa are good cattle country. However, contrary in his views, cattle rearing is not well established in these zones, primarily hecause of the presence of tsetse. The numbers of cattle resistant to transportations are limited. breeds are less productive than the Zebu breeds kept farther north. The full carde rearing potential of these moister zones will, in my view, only be realized following the eradication of isease (more difficult to achieve than in the drier north) in conjunc-tion with enforceable land usage

A. M. JORDAN, Director, Tsetse Research Laboratory.
Department of Veterinary Medicine, University of Bristol. Langford House, ... Briscol ... May 23. .

Invisible exports

From Mr A. J. Vinegrad Sir, I would like to make it clear that the purpose of the advertise-ment criticized by Mr Clarke and Mr Townley (letters, May 26) was to draw attention to the contribution of gas to the country's balance of payments. We certainly had no desire to belittle the achievements of others and I am sorry if our advertisement has unwittingly caused some confusion.

The figure we quoted for invisible

earnings was taken from the National Institute Economic Review (November, 1976) which shows £1.87 thousand million as the forecast balance of invisibles for 1976. According to the Government's Monthly Digest of Statistics (March)—not available when we started this advertising campaign—the actual figure was £2.17 thousand million which shows the whole picture and not just the private soctor part onoted by Mr Clarke. The £2.35 thousand million figure for the rannal gas savines on the balance of payments, which comes from the Inly, 1976; issue of the Treasury's Economic Progress Report, is also a Economic Progress Report, is also a

With regard to Mr Townley's point, most people know that home production keeps down the level of imports of cars and steel, so we felt it valid just to use the export fromes, as clearly stated in the

advertisement.

The contribution which natural gas is making to the balance of payments—and will continue to make in she future—is very important, though not widely recognized. rized. Henre our advertisement. Yours faithfully,

A. J. VINEGRAD. Public Relations Adviser, British Gast Corporation, 59 Bryansten Street, Marble Arth, WI. May 27.

From Mr G. A. Mann Sir, Whether or not British Gas have earned (spived?) us £2,350m, why do they have to spend (waste?) money on advertisements telling us? Yours faithfully, G. A. MAŇN, 9 Old Square, Lincoln's Inn, WC2.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Preservation of the Canterbury and Rome national heritage -

From Lord Montagu of Beauliev Sir, It is perhaps somewhat ironic that during the whole period of the recent Mentmore sale nearly 2,000 directors and curators from-museums all over the world were gathered in Leningrad and Moscow on the occasion of the triennial conference of the International Council of Museums.

cil of Museums.

Not only were we sil fascinated at the wonderful objects which were displayed in all the museums we visited but we were also amazed to discover how much money was being spent on rebuilding and restoring many of the old palaces and churches which have fallen into disrepair. Many have been almost built up from new following their near rotal destruction during almost built up from new following their near total destruction during the war and this pattern is being emulated widely throughout the Eastern block countries. Outs apart from their desire to preserve their own heritage, they are keenly aware of the tourist potential which such palaces, once restored, will provide. The recent Government decision with regard to Menmore was a big with regard to Montmore was a big talking point among Western dele-gates and one which highly embarrassed the 45-strong British contingent who were attending the conference.

There is a good chance that the ICOM conference for 1983 will be held in London. Let us hope that by then an all-party policy towards our heritage can be agreed, so that another flasco such as was seen at Mentmore will never happen again. Yours faithfully,

MONTAGU OF BEAULIEU, President, Historic Houses Association, Palace House, Beaulieu, Hampshire,

From Lord Conous

From Lord Cannoys

Sic, Like very mahy others of vour
readers, I was most impressed by
Mr Robert Cooke's article (May
28). Few people can he as qualified
to write on the subject as is Mr
Gooke. His contribution to the suring of our heritage is based not only
on knowledge and action within
Parliament, but also no significant Parliament, but also on significant encouragement to others.

There is, however, me asnect of the need to preserve historic bouses, treather with their historic contents, which has not been highlighted as much as might be desired. That is, the economic aspect—based on the irrefunble fact that historic houses now form one of the two lasting (hopefully) unique selling points of or tourist industry. The provisional figure for net foreign exchange benefit of tourism in 1976 was £629 million and for 1975, it is estimated that 9.5 million people from abroad visted historic buildings. Further, 38 million people resident within the British Isles did likewise. These houses are soread phroughout the country and thus draw visitors, as well as residents away from our well as residents, away from our overcrowded capital. They provide employment throughout the country-act only in the houses themselves, but in the numerous support services, such as hotels, buses and rail-

Surely it is time for the Government to recognize that our national berivage is part of our important tourist industry, as one of the two unique selling points in that in-dustry and one that is as worthy of encouragement he way of fiscal incentives as any other. Yours frithfully, CAMOYS. Alston Court,

'Standard' and 'News' From the Chairman of the Evening

Sir, Mr Vere Harmsworth (Letters, May 31) implies that as a member of the board of Beaverbrook Newspapers I approved the sale of the Evening Standard and every detail of the scheme for a merged evening

This is not so, as the minutes of Beaverbrook Newspapers board meeting on April 21 fulls confirm. Deeting on April 21 fully continue. One other tiny point. Mr Harinsworth says I alleved he set out "to eat the Evening Standard alive". It wasn't me, actually. He is referring to a leading article in the Evening Standard (which I no longer edit) commenting on the Daily Mail case which said. "It makes it no easier for us to comment on the case that. for we to comment on the case, that the Daily Mail's owners a month ago tried not just to bite the Evening Standard but to eat us whole. The epidemic of false attribution seems extring at Associated Newspapers.

CHARLES WINTOUR, Chairman, Evening Standard, 47 Shoe Lane, EC4.

From Mr Peter Buzalgette From Mr Peter Buzalgette Sir, la ill behoves Mr Charles Wintour to refer to Mr Vere Harms worth's chairmanship of Associated Newspapers as being through "an accident of birth" as reported in your columns today (May 26). Has he not recently become the managing director of a concern whose chairman is also the product of surh an "accident"? The "neighbourly interest" latterly taken by these two organizations in each other's affairs, while an example to us all, might be better exercised upon their own publications.

publications. Yours faithfully, PETER BAZALGETTE, United Oxford & Cambridge 71 Pall Mall, SW1.

Cleaner Law Courts From Mr A. MacInnes

Sir, Sir Leslie Scarman in his letter of May 20 comments favourably on the cleaning of the Law Courts and will be interested to know that the Civic Trust gave this work a Heri-tage Year Award. He will be pleased to learn that work on the central courtyard is planted to start in 1978 and finish

in mid 1979. Yours faithfully, A. MACINNES, Director, London Region, Property Services Agency, Department of the Environment, St Christopher House Southwark Street, SE1.

From Professor Mt. E. Root From Professor M. E. Root
Sir. Dr Peacocke's letter (May 28)
in reply to that of the Roman
Catholic Bishop' of East Anglia is
important because of its positive
afternations as well as its seeming
innocence of what the Bishop was
tolking about the Anglican/Roman
Catholic Interretional Commission.
Despite the Interes of Dr Peacocke

Despite the latters of Dr Peacocke and, earlier, off Canon Drury (May 18), the main rolat has been missed. Within the Commission (as well as outside it) there has been no prob-lem about the legitimacy of diversity (or "comprehensiveness") in matters of theological interpretation. Our Agreed Statements speak for themselves, in this matter. No member of the Commission has sought to find a final, inflexible formula of theological interpretation. On neither side is there a desire to retrien to a position of "non-historical] orthodoxy". As our Statements may 2 quite clear, theological formulations, both ancient and modern, must always be interand modern, must always be inter-preted in contomporary terms. This is not an easy exercise, but it is one which we commonly accept as necessary in the quest for tritth and the process of restoring of unity

the process of restoring of unity between Rome, and Canterbury. There are, ; however, limits to diversity. There can be no real unity in faith unless we are acreed on what can properly be called fundamentals. Anglicans, not surprisingly, feel that some (in particular, sour; relatively modern) Roman Cathodic definitions and formulations and not self-evidentally fundamental to Christian faith, however much we may understand and ever much we may understand and appreciate them in their historical context. On the other side, Roman Catholics have serious and genuine

questions above serious and genuine questions above whether Anglicans hold to any "fundamentals" at all. In contrast to some of the views of your correspondents, my notion is that the division is not between the two Churches, but that is cuts across "denominational" loyalties. Some Roman Catholic and some Anglican writers seem, in varying ways, to enode the distinction between fundamentals of faith and those theological interpretations

which may che lee from age to age.
Your Anglican correspondents
seem to me right to stress the
importance of comprehensiveness. Your Roman Catholic correspondents are no less right in questioning where comprehens veness ends and adherence to fundamentals begins. My own experience leads me to my own experience leads me to believe that, ion both sides, there is common faith. We are agreed upon "the Nicene faith", that Christ was the Incarnate Word of God. Much issues from this. But this is the point from which we begin. For thrologists these terms require constant investigation and interpretation. But theologians are secondary people.

Their agreements and disagreements are important for but not essential to the life of the Christian Church. If, however, it were true that many Anglican or Roman Catholic Christians could not accept this fundamental affirmation were besitiont about it) we should have to ask whether there is any point in continuing to search for

unity. Christian faith (whether in Anglicin or Roman Cotholic expres-sion) would cease to be Christian. We may have unresolved ques-

tions about what follows from an acceptance of our fundamental faith. That is not surprising after feith. That is not surprising after 400 years of separation. But we can scarcely dore to work, or hope to move further, unless we are convinced that upon this fundamental rock we are already agreed.

Yours feithfully,

2. 2. 2007. H. E. ROOT.

Department of Theology and Feligion, The University, South mpton: May 29...

From Dr T. D. Hemming

Sir. It seems to me as a Roman Catholic that the Anglican "confusion" or "ambiguity" or "vagueness" over eucharistic doctrine deserves to be interpreted in charity as an honest attempt on the part of Anglican, theologians to reflect and respond to the diversity of belief and practice found in their "Church as in any other. The curre-Church as in any other. The corre-spendence on this question started from the premise that the Roman position was clear and certain. Even at the level of official theological formulations this is today only arguably true, but in this area such formulations are not representative of the helicis of the faithful at large, nor do they reflect the actual and observable practice of the Bonda Church

Roman Church.
As regards bolief, I am no thenlogien, but I do not think that I would find it difficult to show exwould find it difficult to show extensive discrepancies between, on the one hand, the stated doctrine of the Church and, on the other hand, the heliefs for example of the 25 children aged under ten who mete their first Communica, in my parish last week, or the beliefs of the school where your original correspondent teaches, or indeed the heliefs of the good sixters at the La Retraire Convent. If I were to bring in the views of some of my more odventurous students and colleagues (who certainly regard themleagues (who certainly regard them-selves, as Roman Catholics) the discrepancies would be even more remarkable.

As regards practice there is now at least as much diversity of liturgical form in the Roman Church. with its progressives and conservatives, as in the Church of England with its High and Low Church wings. Apart from this, I suggest that an unprejudiced comparison of the behaviour of priest and people at a typical Anglican eucharist, characterized by deep reverence. and that at a renical Roman Carbo-lic Mass, which is still despite liner-gleal "reform", all ton often a dis-edifying shambles on both sides of the alrar, might be instructive and humbling to those who seek to put the abstractions of drama before the living reality of prayer and worship. Yours faithfully, T. D. HEMMING,

Benartment of French, University of Bristol. Wills Memorial Building, Oncens Road,

Police pay From Mrs Elizabeth Moyse

Sir. I should theve thought that any worker who closs not have the right to strike, particularly when his work dangerous, involves long hours and is vital to the maintenance of law and order in the country, should automatically be considered as our side the scope of any incomes

policy.

The blame as I see it, does not lie with the Folice Federation. It lies with Mr Fees, who is ultimarely responsible for the safety of the responsible for the safety of the citizens of Ekkain. He cannot concede the right to strike, but he could offer some real compensation to the poice for not having a right greated to virtually every other worker in the country. I am not surprised of the Police Federation's indignation, but I am terrified at the thought of what may be the contract of the Police Federation. be the purcome of the Home Secre-tary's shorts whited obstitucy. Yours faithfully. FLIZABETH MOYSE. 5 Culmstock Road, SW11.

From Mr M. B. Mce Sir. If a community, by its iswirequires that certain persons forgo

their right to strike, then that comlaw, that those persons have such pay and conditions as to give them no cause for wishing to withdraw their labour.

The Army, the judiciary, and the police are cases in point. Maybe they are the only sections whose pay should be regulated steadily and generously without the danger of the grosser restrictions imposed on the community in general.

Bolittling pay restraint and con-ditions in the National Health Service has caused scripus disaffec-

patients suffer as a result. We may all suffer, if the police are not-accorded pay which leaves them in no doubt as to the value our

and sustained in the conclusions of your leading article of May 26 is one which does our police service a grave injustice, and possibly

British customs From Mr David Goodenday

Sir, Over the years your columns have carried protests against the arrogance of the customs officers at our sea and airports, especially in comparison with the behaviour of their counterparts of our continental partners and neighbours, but I tear that there has been no change. .

This week at Heathrow, a customs officer, who, quite rightly. exercised his responsibilities in stopping my wife and me and asking relevant questions, then demanded to see the receipt for my wife's engagement ring and when I pro-tested to his superior officer that

Nato and disaster relief From Lord Elton

Sir, Mgr Eruce Kent (May 20) seems to be under a number of misapprehensions:

able of providing the transport which, with recontainsance and communications facilities, is now the most urgent need if lives are to be saved in the early stages. How much more proof of this in human suffering, do we need?"

.The idea that the job could be done by a group on the lines of the lifeboot service is not practicable. We would all like a new world agency, but it would cost a great deal of money in overheads even if it could be established. Meanwhile ato resources can do it virtually

· Nato anki the Warsaw Pact are

munity has a duty to ensure by its

tion in our medical profession. Some

Community places on them.
The position taken up by Mr Rees

Yours faithfully,

M. B. MEE, 17 Mentone Avenue, Aspley Guise, Milion Keynes Buckinghamshire. May 26. .

101 Kingsley Way, · Hampstead, N2.

this was utterly unreasonable, he insisted that it was not.
I feel that some protest is obligatory. Protection of our country against drugs and rabies and similar afflictions is obviously viral, but to have to carry around one's wife's engagement ring receipt in order to return safely, and without 'ler or hindrance" (as our passports state), is surely not in keeping British standards. And what a terrible effect such personal effrontery has on our foreign visitors from whom I have heard similar miserable tales in the past. DAVID GOODENDAY,

In every natural disaster the United Nations has proved incap-The Red Cross- is excellent, but

it is not designed to provide its own transport. To mobilize supplies is easy; to move them is very hard. free; why wait?

twin partners". Nato is a free alliance; the Warsaw Pact is a colonial empire.

The cruise missile is not a poten-tial "first strike" weapon; it is exactly the opposite. If it were ever to be deployed, it would render quite impossible the destruction of rither side by the other in a first

The Christian Churches have not

"given respectability to military power". Unfortunately they have, as in the 1930s, indulged danger-ously in the wishful thinking that military power does not exist. Does nor Mgr Kem recall how dangerous such thinking can be? The Nato-alliance has air, sea and ground transport immediately at its disposal. It has the communications equipment to control them and the reconnaissance vehicles with which to investi-gate conditions in 20nes rendered inaccessible by earthquake or flood. Whatever the threats implicit in the confrontation of the Warsaw Pact by the Nato Alliance it has in fact averted a third world war for 30 vears. In this sense servicemen are not in the business of killing people but of saving lives. Yours sincerely, ELTON.

House of Lords.

Public debate on energy policy

From Mr Anthony D. Woolf Sir, Greatly welcome is the Covers ment's a nonneement of a wide ranging debate on energy policy and the promise of a public enquiry before any decision commits us to a large scale nuclear programme and a full plutonium economy. Your uwn editorial comment (May 23), own editorial comment (May 23), however, contains a chilling sentence which, if fully justified, seems to close off the most important option before the debate begins. The risks and inconveniences of nuclear fission will almost certainly be accepted, you write, if this is believed necessary to maintain a "sufficiency" of power. "Political society will not voluntarily embrace a radical reordering of its prior-

"Sufficiency" begs the question "sufficient for what?", but the quoted sentence supplies a clear meaning—the present pattern of industrial production with prosperity depending on consisting rowth will be maintained at what ever price by "political society" keeping its priorities unchanged.

There are four basic questions which the public debate will have to address. Firstly, do we face an energy gen in versus on present and

energy gap in terms or present and predictable demand? (There is predictable demand? (There is broad agreement that an energy pind does threaten sooner or intentification, can the gap be filled in time from renewable non-nuclear resources, and, at what price? (There are serious doubts, yet to be adequately explored, whether wind, wave and solar power can be adequately harnessed in time to forestall the celess. Thirdly, when forestall the crisis. Thirdly, what price would we, bur fellow inhabi-tants of the earth and future generations have to pay politically, socially and environmentally for a full nuclear economy? (The indicaoptimistic predictions, this price will be extremely heavy.) These three lead to the fourth, and most important, question; what changes in our pattern of production, and competition would be needed it order to live with the energy gaptio cut our cost according to our changes would these demand and company they be minimized. can they be achieved at mote acceptable cost than the alternatives? Unless that que tion is explored, the others will be meaningless, for we will not be measuring need, demand or cost against any realistic yardstick.

To some extent, these questions will be explored in the Windscale enquiry shortly commencing but much wider aspects will have to be considered at the next one. The public interest groups who we playing a major role in the Windscale enquiry will wish to take a full part in the new enquiry in announced, and their participation is indispensable to any real debut. It is essential that the Government should provide government. should provide generous funds for their representation; it is does not do so and does not reconsider its refusal of such funds for the Windscale enquiry, their resources will be exhausted and may prove impossible to renew as well. Yours faithfully.

ANTHONY D. WOOLF, Chairman, .. Lawyers' Ecology Group, 34 Deepdene Road, SES.

St Alban and St George From Mr D. N. Vermont

Sir. As a member of the Guild of St George, for the last 440 years better known as The Honourubie Artillery Company, and living as I do in the Diocese of St Albans, I can fairly claim to be impartial in the debate about the patron saint. No Englishman can lightly persuade himself to end an allegiance which has inspired countless generations to valour. On the other hand I have always found it a little hard to swallow the tale about the dragon; after all who believes in them? And if we are now told that not only the dragon but also St George was a myth it is time to think

again. Obviously the well authenticated story of St Alban and his impor-tance in pre-medieval times, together with the compassionate objective of his courage, make him a worthy candidate with advantages over the plien St George who never existed and whom anshow we have to share with Barcelona. But will the Dean of St Albans please tell us how one goes about changing a patron saint. What are the precedents? Can the General Synod of the Church of England legislate? Dues Parliament have some residual competence in the matter of saints? Perhaps we should have a referen-

Yours faithfully, D. N. VERMONT, Frodsham, Sawbridgeworth, Hertfordshire.

From the Reverend J. D. Crichton Sir. "Like girls christened Phila-mena, the English are cursed with a patron saint who had the care-lessness not to exist." Perhaps not all the carelessness is on one side. Mr Clifford Longley does not seem to have consulted the usual authorities. Thurston in his revised and ties. Thurston in his revised and critical edition of Butler's Lives of the Saints, the sober Attwater in the Penguin Dictionary of Saints and the Oxford Dictionary of the Christian Church all affirm the existence of St George and think that he was marryred at Lydda (Diospolis) in the third or fourth century. That they say, is all we

know or him. He has survived accusations of being a bacon merchant of dubious commercial morals or of being a pagan myth (Theseus) redivious and is to be hoped he will survive

the charge of non-existence. One would take issue with Mr Longley too in speaking of "Eng-land" and the "English" in the third or fourth century. If ever there was a Britain, it was then and St Alban was British or, as Artwater suggests. Romano-British Which may strengthen his case for being the national patron saint. He goes back to the roots of our society. Yours faithfully.

I. D. CRICHTON, 14 Priest Lane, Pershore, Worcestershire.

Auction record claimed for caske

Night work must cease to stop noise under new Act

ammersmith London Borough matic pumps for providing diesel ouncil v Magnum Automated oil for taxis, an automatic oll-dispensing machine, a car-wash,

efore Lord Denning, Master of the Rolls, Lord Justice Roskill and ord Justice Shaw

The Court of Appeal considered or the first time the Control of ollution Act, 1974, and granted i interlocutory injunction to ammersmith London Borough restraining Magnum l a 24-bour raxi care centre in perating between 11 pm and 7

The Coursel of Pollution Act rovides by section 58: "(1) "here a local authority is satisnere a local authority is saus-ed that noise amounting to a uisance exists, or is likely to cour or recur, in the area of ic local authority, the local g requirements (a) requiring the ratement of the nuisance or pronce or recurrence . . . and the otice shall specify the time or mes within which the requireients of the notice are to be

(4) If a person on whom a ce is served under this secontravenes any requirement of ne nouce, he shall be guilty of

lequate remedy in the case of any olse which is a nuisance, they ay take proceedings in the High ecial procedures for controlling secial procedures for controlling billution of various kinds. The set the court was concerned with as suisance by noise. Local sthorities had been given powers which they could serve notices a concerns which were making so such noise as to be a nuisance, and the occupiers were bound to amply with the notices. That pression night even mean that local sthorities could stop businesses ithout affording compensation. an important measure by Parliament to stop

reat for a long time. Some years
to there was a small petrol-filling ation which had been only open ation which had been only open in the day time; it was vacant from 1973 to 1976. In June, 1976, uilding works were started, and that was created was called a taxl are centre, which operated a 24-our service. There were autoand vending machines supplying cigarettes, food and hor drinks. It was unattended; everything was automatic and coin-operated and could be used for 24 hours every

Soon after it started local residents complained. Eventually a survey was made of what happened at night; taxis came and went and they kept their they kept their engines idling while in the forecourt. It was particularly bad in the early hours of

local authority, which served a notice under the new Act on the occupiers, Magnum Automated Forecourts, Council experts took and they were satisfied about the nuisance. The notice said that the noise was such as to create a should cease all operations on the premises between 11 pm and 7 am. Under the statute the com pany was guilty of an offence if the notice was not complied with.

appeal to magistrates; and the company did so. There were provisions under regulations made by the Secretary of State under section 70 (2) (b) that the notice was not to be suspended pending an appeal. By regulation 10 (2) (b) the notice should not be suspended if, in the opinion of the local authority, the expenditure which would be incurred by complying would not be disproportionate to the public benefit to be expected. The notice warned the company that if it did not comply it could be fined up to £200 for the first offence, and that the council could take proceedings for securing the abarement of the

nuisance.

The norice was served on December 1, 1976. The company lodged an appeal with West Lonwent on with all their operations exactly as before. So the commony aspecied to the maxistrates, while the council, feeling that things could not go on as they were, took proceedings in the High Court. They issued their application on February 21, 1977. contrary to the requirement of the notice. There were therefore two proceedings in being. That relied a legal point in the case. company also went to experts, who said there was no nuisance; and there were some residents

the appeal. The case came before Mr Justice Croum Johnson early in May. He heard argument on both sides, and then there was the extraordinary position that he feit he could not decide it because of the proceedings before the magistrates, and that the magistrates should decide it. Figure 1998 the view, on reading the took the view, on reading the evidence, that but for the exist-ence of the statutory machinery

would have given an injunction. So there was an impasse, and the appeal came to their Lord-ships. The problem was that the ships. The problem was that the local authority were the judges by the first instance as to whether or not there was a nulsance, and, if they were satisfied that there was a nuisance, even if they had not heard the other side, they could serve notice on the person responsible, and require him to remedy. There was no escape from remedy. There was no escape from that It was the duty of the person concerned to comply with the

If the company did not comply, what was to be done? Clearly the High Court could intervene to secure that the law was complied with and could grant an injunction

Employment Appeal Tribunal

the proceedings, a local authority had to give an undertaking in damages in case they were wrong and there was no nuisance. That might well afford compensation in case in which the local authority individual more than the proceed-ings before the magistrates. It was

powers to secure compliance with the law was well shown in Stafford Borough Council v Elkenford Ltd

Section 58 (8) almost provided for the very contingency, and seemed to his Lordship to cover

the case. A local authority could, brutg proceedings for an injunc-tion. That had a great benefit. If an injunction was granted, pend-ing the ukimate determination of

arnilable even though there was an In the present case an injunction should go to secure compli-ance with the notice and the business should be closed from 11 pm to 7 am. as the low required. The company could operate all the

festly entitled to exercise its add tional right under section 58. (8) and come to the High Court to restrain the continuance of the

Redundancy: insolvency as a defence to lack of consultation

Before Mr Justice Kilner Brown, Mr M. L. Clement-Jones and Mr

[Judgment delivered May 30] Insolvency could be a special circumstance rendering it not reasonably practicable for the employer to consult a trade union before the first dismissal according to the number of employees

The Employment Appeal Tri-budal allowed an appeal by employers, Clarks of Hore Ltd. from a decision of a Brighton from a decision of a Brighton industrial tribunal last january that a complaint by the Bakers' Union, pursuant to section 101 of the Employment Protection Act, 1975, that the employers had not complied with the requirements of section 99 of the Act, succeeded. Also allowed was the employers' appeal against a protective redundancy award for 49 days made under section 101 (3). Section 99 provides: "(i) An employer proposing to dismiss as integering trade until recog-nized by him shall consult repre-sentatives of that trade union about the dismissal. . . . (3) The consultation required by this sec-tion shall begin at the earliest

opportunity, and shall in any event begin—(a) where the employer is proposing to dismiss as redundant 100 or more employees at least 90 days before the first of those dismissals takes effect."

serior 99(8) provides: "If in any case there are special circom-stances which render it not reason-ably practicable for the employer to comply with [section 99] the employer shall take all such steps towards compliance with that requirement as are reasonably practicable in those circum-stances." itances."

Mr Anthony Grabiner for the employers; Mr Quintin Barry, soli-

MR JUSTICE KILNER BROWN, giving the judgment of the Appeat Tribunal, sold that the employers, manufacturers and retailers of confectionery, who had carried on business for many years, were in grave financial difficulties by the autumn of 1976. They tried to raise money, but on October 24 their final hope of financial help failed and they dismissed 368 employees for redundancy. On October 27 a receiver was appointed. One reason for the employers being forced to stop trading was their potential ilability for fraudulent trading under section 332 of the Companies Act, 1948. Up to October 24 the company had still tailers of confectionery, who had

Section 99(8) provided an escape clause for employers and the appeal turned on the meaning of "special circumstonces". It had been decided in tases under the Read Traffic Acts that "special" meant special to the facts of the case. The industrial tribunal's appearance in commentation of the case. proach in saving that insolvency on its own could hot amount to a "special circumstance" was too

For the union it had been con-tended that the company's insolv-ency should have been foreseen and that the employers ought to have consulted the union about

redundancies.
The industrial tribunal ought to and the street of the street o

atthough unrealistic and openistic, were at least genuinely hoping that they could carry on trading.

The Appeal Tribunal were nor unanimous on whether special circumstances existed; but they considered that the Industrial tribunal's blanket approach to the question of insolvency was wrong. The appeal would be allowed and the case tradition to the industrial the case remitted to the industrial tribund for reconsideration. Leave to appeal against the do-Solicitors: Wilde, Sapte & Co; Donne, Mileham & Haddock, Brighton.

Borough Council v Elkenford Ltd trates.

([1977] I WLR 324]. It was the LORD JUSTICE ROSKILL, contury of the local council to the council and the High Court could come to their aid.

Section 58 (8) almost provided.

For the very contingency, and the Lordship did not agree. What required council was fined to the council. required consideration was that the notice served by the council and not suspended should be enforced because it was the compam's duty to comply with it unless and until the appeal succeeded. They had done nothing about it. The council was manifestal articles and appeal to the council was manifestal articles. claiming an auction record price for a Limoge's casket at £21,000 (estimate £14,000 to £15,000). Its enamel plaques are in grisaille, depicting fierce cavalry

> nuisance.
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> LORD JUSTICE SHAW, also concurring said that under section 53 (3) the council field to be of the uninon that proceedings under section 58 (4) would not supply an adequate remedy. Then they had the right to come to the High Court. On the merits an injunction should be granted. Solicitors: Sharpe, Pritchard & Co. Brian H. Taub & Co.



The Limoges casket sold at Christie's vesterday for £21

Phillips held a sale of clocks and watches yesterday, totalling £14,253, with less than 1 per cent unsold. An early eighteenth-century Sun and Moon verge watch by C. Michel Spiciss, the silver case repousse and the face engraved, made £3,000 (estimate £3,000), to Cameron. A chronometer timepiece by Clerke, of about 1880, in a bress carriage type case, made the same price.

dealer from fielgium.

Another feature of the sale was the large collection of small Venetian brokzes formed about a century ago, in the main of pretty ordinary quality. Although the bronzes are by no means rare, there were plenty of takers and nearly all of them sold. A 35cm statuerte of lumn, lightly draped with a peaceck standing beside her. In the manner of Vottorla was a typical example, selling at £520 (estimats £400 to £600). The finest quality piece in the Ar Southey's a sale of Japanese back; collection was a 42cm statuetts of Venus Marins, maked with her left foot resting on a dolphin's head, from, the Campagna wors, shoo; it was sold for £4,800 A sale of Victorian paintings Sweden.

testimate £2,000 to £3,000 to £. at Someby's Beignivia bre sale totalled £194,573, with 15 connoisseur; a pair of prin early timeteenth-century pair of builts in landscapes and a lar painting of two fat pigs yard, which he had bought it is totalling £25,558, with 17 per cent

Costumes from the golden years of film

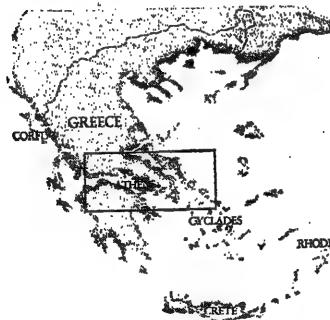
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The collection, assembled over four years by Mr. Michael Regan, a gallery official, includes the cape of two thousand peacock feathers worn by Miss Hedi Lamarr in Gecil B. de Mille's

Samson and Dellah in 1948. Hollywood legend has it that Mr de Milla plucked the feathers

Other exhibits include the black silk-valver gown, triamed with white mink and ostrich feathers, that Miss Greta Garbo wore in Romance (1930), and the scarlet-wood film costume has and black sequinned leotard that became a censorship issue when Miss late Russell danced in it for The French Line. Striking examples of the sull-

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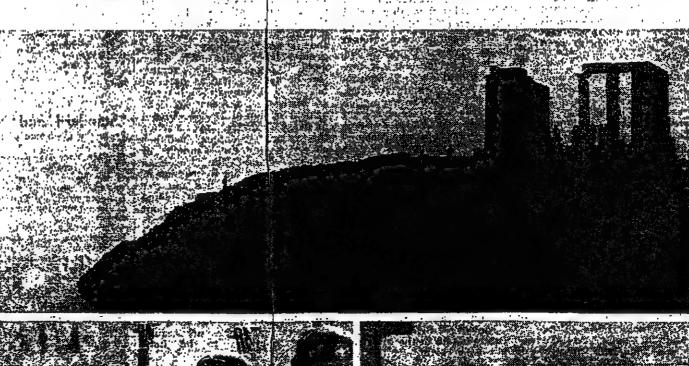
Or Evia, a massive peninsula-like island created, it would seem, solely for the sunworshipper. Mile after mile of golden beaches, including that oasis in a supersonic world, the deserted cove.

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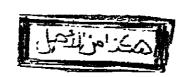
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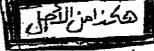






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NOTICE is hereby stem that the ORDER of the High Court of Ansher. Charlest Division dated the 23rd day of May 1977 SANCTION-PHG a SCHEME Of ARANCEMENT and CONFIR-LING the REDUCTION of the CAPITAL of the Above-named Company from £1,325,000 to 1751,000 and the Minute approved by the Court Mowing with respect to the Share Capital of the Company of the Court Mowing with respect to the Share Capital of the Company as started, the saperal particulars required by the above Art were required to the Started and the Companies on the 27th day of May. 1977.

Dated the 27th day of May 1977.
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Major Charles Penwick was in in atte

attendance.

His Royal Highness, President
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this afternoon at Burkingham
Palace presented Dr. J. H. Wilkinson with a Disigna of Honorary
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The Duke of Edinburgh,
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Admiral of the Fleet the Earl-Moundatten of Burma was

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Lieutenape Commander Anthony Blackburn, RN, was in attendance. The Prince of Wales, President, soday visited the Royal Bath and West Show at Shepton Malfet.

His Royal Highness travelled in an artifact of The Queen's Flight.

The Princess Anne, Mrs Mark Phillips this afternoon opened the new Town Ball in the Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea and unveiled a commentorative plaque. rative plaque.

Her Royal Highness was received upon arrival by the Mayor (Mr P. H. Methnen).

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Mrs Andrew Feilden and Mrs
Malcolm Innee were in amendance.
The Princess Anne, Mrs Mark
Phillips, Freeman, and Captain
Mark Phillips, Liveryman, this
evening amended the Worshipful
Company of Farriers Master's Reception at St. John's Wood Barracks.

Mrs Andrew Feilden and Major
Nicholas Lawson were in attendance.

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The Lady Rose Barine has sucand the honour of ceeded the Hon Mary Morrison as
by The Queen.
Lady in Waiting to The Queen.

Mr. M. D. J. Burgess

and Miss A. Readings

The engagement is announced between Miles David James, son of Mr and Mrs F. J. Burgess, of Great Ayton, Cleveland, and Ann, daughter of Mr and Mrs J. M. Readings, of Prestbury, Gloucestershire.

Mr M. J. H. Mason and Miss S. K. Harpin The engagement is announced between Martin, cluest son of Mr and Mrs John Mason, of High-clers, Hampkins, and Su, daughter of Mr and Mrs Douglas Harpin, of Huddensfield, York-shire.

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of the Koyal Ballet, later attended a Reception given for Dame Margor Footeyn at the Victoria and Albert Museum.

The Hon Mrs Wills was in attendance. KENSINGTON PALACE

May 31: The Duke of Gloucester, Grand Prior of the Order of St John, received, this morning, Lord Cacria the Lord Prior and Sir John and Lady Kerr, Sir Whited and Lady Jacobs, Sir Charles and Lady Markham and Mrs Vincent

YORK HOUSE YORK HOUSE
May 31: The Duke of Kent, as
President, roday visited The Duke
of York's Royal Military School
in Dover and, as President of the
Royal National Life-Boat Institution, visited the life-boat stations
as Dover, Walmer and Lindestone.
His Royal Highness, who
travelled in an aircraft of The
Queen's Fight, was attended by
Lieuteoant-Commander Richard
Buckley, RN.

THATCHED HOUSE LODGE May 31 Princess Alexander President of the Royal Huma Society, was present at the Annual General Court held this afternoon at Merchant Taylors

Oglivy attended a Reception, given in ald of the "Save the fingle" campaign of the World Wildlife Fund, at the Hilton Hotel, London.

The Lady Mary Fitzalan-Howard was in appendance.

Mr T. J. Clark and Miss M. Lawson Johnston The engagement is announce between Timothy John Clark, youngest son of Mr and Mrs Brian Clark, of Rudge Heath, Patting ham, near Wolverhampton, and Marguerite Lawson Johnston, youngest daughter of the Hon Hugh and Mrs Lawson Johnston of Melchbourne Park, Bedford shire.

Mr I. F. G. McLean The engagement is announced

between Ian, only son of Mr and Mrs G. H. B. McLean, of Bessing bourn, Cambridgeshire, Christine, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs J. R. Brown, of Norton,

Mr. C. L. St John Farrow and Miss A. R. Porter-Stewart The engagement is announce een Christopher Louis St John, eldest son of Lieutenam mander John Farrow (RNVR. ret), and Mrs John Farrow, of Saltford, near Bath, and Ann Rosemary, daughter of Mrs. William Porter and the late Mr William Trinder-Porter, of Bristol.

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Lord Hailsham of St Marylebone with a new bronze by David Wynne which is to be unveiled for the law library at Christ Church, Oxford, today. It has been paid for mainly with donations from the former Lord Chancellor's contemporaries at Oxford.

Service luncheon

Royal Corps of Transport The Royal Corps of Transport
Officers' luncheon club entertained
Sir Lindsay Ring at luncheon at
the Eccleston Hotel yesterday,
Colonel L. T. Knights was in the
chair, Among those present were:
Major-Generals II. Goodfellow,
W. H. D. Ritchig, Sir Cell Smith;
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Threlail, Mr. Derek Kamp and Mr.
Eric Hamber.

Dinners

Painter-Stainers' Compa The Painter-Stainers' Company held their ladies dimer at Painters' Hall yesterday evening, when the Master, Mr R. Jameson Green, and the Wardens, with their ladies, received the guests. Mr B. Woodford, Miss Claire Francis and the Master of the Furniture Makers' Company were the speakers.

Latest wills

Bequest to help cancer sufferers

Mrs Josne Miriam Penfold Chevallier, of Nodging Hall, Suffolk, left £135,838 net. After personal and other bequest she left :the residue for charitable objects selected by her trustees to alleviate distress among cancer patients, especially at the Royal Marsden Hospital, Sutton. Other estates include (net, before duty paid; duty not disclosed); Byford, Mr Harry Roy, of Beckenham . . £101,235

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Great Britain
The Pharmaceutical Society of
Great Britain held a council dinner
at 1 Lambeth High Street last
night. The president, Mr J, P.
Bannerman, presided. The principal guest and speaker was the
Hon Roland Moyle, MP. Others
present included;
Sir Patrick Naimo, Professor W. J H. Butterfield, Mr John Bettingu, Miss Clare
Dover, Dr T. D. Walter and Dr
Michael Lamott.

Reception

Fartiers' Company Farciers' Comminy
Princess Anne and Captain Mark
Phillips attended a reception given
by the Master of the Farriers'
Company resterday to celebrate
the Queen's alliver jubilee at St
John's Wood Barracks, by permission of the Commanding Officer,
The King's Troop. The Master,
Professor F. R. Bell, received the
guests, assisted by the Upper
Warden, Mr Dorian Williams, and
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on June 12.

Crouch, Mrs. Lilien Mary, of Ashteod. Surrey £111,010 Borman-Smith, Sir Resimald, of Peter-field, Minister of Agricul-ture, 1939-40, Governor of Burma. 1941-46 £40,073 The Rev Peter John Nott, Rector of Besconsfield, B.S.kinghamskire, is to be Bishop Suffragan of Taunton, in succession to the Right Rev Francis West, who is resigning on Gilliat, Mr Francis Mervyn, of Windermere, accountant £125,424

Latest appointments

Lorest appointments include:

establishment officer and principal

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industry, trade, and prices and consumer protection: to be chair-

man of the Board of Customs and

Excise in succession to Sir Ronald

Radford, who retires on August 31.

Mr R. J. B. Walker, curator of Palace of Westminster, 1950-76, to be a trustee of National Marsime Museum in succession to Admiral Sir Charles Midden

Sir Charles Madden who retires

Mrs Julia Cumberlage, and 74, mædstrate and East Sussex County Council member, to be a lay mem-ber of the Press Council for three

Mr J. J. O'Brien, Doncaster d'visional manager, Eastern Region, to be deputy general manager at British Rail's Western

Windermere, accountant: £125,424
Guard, Mrs Thora Luise, of
Hasiemere £114,376
Miller, Mrs Dorothy Margaret,
of Banbury £105,120
Petre, Mr Bernard Francis, of
Thirsk £122,391
Phillips, Mr Prederick James, of
Wisbech £140,066
Phillmore, Mr Wilfrid Henderson,
of Woodleigh, Devon £219,659
Redfeirn, Mrs Madeline, of
Pumey £115,036
Seddon, Mr Charies, of Hastings
£102,461

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Nortic will be held at Holy Trinity
Church, Brompton Road, at 12.15
pm, on Friday June 10.

friends or relatives or for business

They increased from 117 million to 121 million, but the number of

nights away went down from 550 million to 545 million. They cost £2,400m, an increase of £250m, or

11 per cent, over the 1975 fleure

Figures for holiday tourism only

Figures for holiday tourism only show that the number of trips increased by four militon to 75 militon, the number of nights away dropped by 10 militon to 420 milition and spending increased by £150m to £1,700m.

Scotland showed the biggest changes. While the number of trips increased only marginally to seven militon, the number of nights away dropped by 20 per cent to 40 militon, and spending slumped by 14 per cent, from £200m to £175m.

The surfey indicates that people who can no longer afford holidays abroad are not necessarily taking

or conferences.

British are taking cheaper holidays, survey suggests one night or more away from

making in Britain is forcing more British people to take shorter, cheaper holidays or not go away at all, a survey commissioned by the British Tourist Board suggests. .It also .Indicates .that more people are choosing self-catering or camping holidays rather than hotel stays. The cost of a night away from home for the average British tourist, including accom-

modation, food, travel and all other expenses, increased by 14 per cent to £5.70 in 1976, in spite of holidaymakers' cost-saving measures.

The number of tourist trips, the survey shows, increased only marginally, but the number of nights away from home dropped, The 1976 British Home Tourism Survey, conducted by NOP Market Research on behalf of the English, Scottish and Welsh tourist boards and the British Tourist Authority, defines a tourist trip as a stay of

25 years ago From The Times of Saturday, May 31, 1952

Purge in South Korea From Our Diplomatic .

The news of President Syngman Rhee's proclamation of martial law in parts of South Korea, under cover of which he is attempting to carry out a purge of elements in the South Korean National Assembly hostile to his administration, bly hostile to his administration, has been received with concern in London. Reports vary about the extent of the purge, but it seems clear that in the past few 'days South Korean military police, acting on the direct instructions of the President, have arrested more than 10 of the Assembly members, and that further arrests are impending. The Vice-President of South Korea, Kim Sung-soo, before fleeing the country resigned as a protest against what he described as the President's coup d'etat.

abroad are not necessarily taking them in Britain. There has been no dramatic increase in the num-ber of holidays in Britain to indi-cate such a change in preference. Today's engagements

The Duke of Edwburgh visits
"This Brilliant Year" exhibition Royal Academy, 9.20;
attends acqual dinner of Design
Council, Arts Club, Dover
Street, 8.

Street, 5.

Princess Margaret visits Langholm,
Dumfriesshire, 12.25. The Duke
of Gloucester visits Suffolk
Show, Ipswich, 11.

The Lord Mayor of London attends Inauguration of Jetfoll acrvice to Zeebrugge, St Katharine's Dock, 12.30.

National Postal Museum; Special exhibition of silver jubilee stamps of George V, Elizabeth II and 1953 coronation stamps,

Barlow Lecture on Dante, Professor J. H. Whitfield, Gustave Tuck Theatre, Gower Street, 5.30; "Education for International Understanding", Mrs. Shirley Williams, MP. Logan Ball, University of London Institute of Education, Bedford Way, Merris dancing, Brood Sanctuary, Westminster Abbey, 8.

OBITUARY

MR HAROLD PURCELL

Playwright and lyricist

lyrics of The Lisbon Story which contained the popular whistling song, "Pedro the Fisherman," and entertained war-time audiences at the old London

Educated at Brockley, School and Worcester College, Oxford, where he gained his MA degree, Harold Purcell became a schoolmaster and journalist, but entered the theatre when, in the late 1930s he collaborated with Eric Maschwitz on the lyrics of Eric Maschwitz on the lyrics of Magyar Melody at the Adelphi. The music was by George Posford with whom he afterwards wrote many songs including "The London I Love". During the war he wrote a great deal of material for Cicely Courtneidge and Jack Hulbert and the lyrics for numerous revues staged by such managemenes as Firth Shephard, C. B. Cochran and George Black. These included Diversion, Rise Above It, The New Ambassadors' Revue, Orchids and Onions, Apple Sauce, The Hulbert Follies, Big Top, Something in the Air and Under the Counter.

Harold Purcell's film mustc included songs for Anna Neagle's Spring in Park Lane series and his play, The Rest is Silence, based on the trial of Madeleine Smith, was staged at the Prince of Wales Theatre in 1944.

Until his retirement in 1968, he was chairman and managing director of London Press Exchange (Television) Ltd. and with his wife, Iris. had lately been writing Little."
Blue, a Yorkshire Television cartoon series for children about a baby elephant who goes to school and behaves exactly like a human child in a way that is unquestioningly accepted and appears to surprise nobody. Harold Purcell was a kind man and excellent company. He was among the last of a little coterie of writers and musicians who gave a distinctive character to the musical theatre of London during and thearre of London during and after the war and which is associated with the names of Harry Parr-Davies, Eric Maschwitz. George Posford, Manning Sherwin, Jack Strachey and A. P. Herbert.

He leaves a widow and Simon, a son. Another son, Anthony, died in a flying accident during his national service in 1954.

less happy a circumstance for British science that someone of his character and breadth of

vision should have been at hand to lead the new venture in

which this country was ahead of the world.

Sir Graham's outstanding quali-ties as an administrator and

diplomat which he had demon-

strated earlier with the Meteorological Office and as

head of the United Kingdom

delegation to the World Meteorological Organization. Under his leadership the new

council soon achieved a cor-porate identity and began the formidable but urgently needed

task of bringing together, in

concept and practice, the sciences of the natural environ-

the bandling of explosive.

At the end of the war his

services were remined as a Schools Liaison Officer. In 1954

when he retired, he was invited to join the staff of St Dunstan's,

as appeals, and, later, public relations' officer. He travelled

abroad and became President of the European War-Blinded Association. Lieutenant-Com-

Association. Lieutenant-Com-mander Buckley made a signifi-

cant contribution to the study

Those early months and years with the NERC demanded al

SIR GRAHAM SUTTON hydrology and the atmospheric sciences. I know he found this last period of his professional career as rewarding as it had been unexpected. It was no

R. J. H. Beverton writes: May I add a postcript to your obituary notice for Sir Graham

Sutton. It did not record that on his retirement from the Director-Generalship of the Meteoro-logical Office in 1965, Sir Graham became the first chairman of the Natural Environ-ment Research Council when it was established by Royal Charter on June 1st of that year. He was not easily per-sunded to take on this task and he agreed to do so for one year only, in the first instance. It had been his intention on leaving the Meteorological Office to withdraw fully from professional life and return to his native Wales, there to devote himself to his family, his gar-den, the Bench and the University College at Aberystwyth. In the event, he stayed as chairman of the NERC for three years, end thereafter for another three as a member with end thereafter responsibilities for

ment as a unified group of disciplines in their own right. LIEUT-CDR R. C. B. BUCKLEY

Lieutenant-Commander-Robin Cecil Burton Buckley, GM, the only blind man ever to serve in the Royal Navy, died on May 23. He was 65. In March, 1941, he was serving in the cruiser HMS York, when an Italian explosive torpedo boat was used to attack the Home Fleet in Suda Bay, Crete. As torpedo officer, responsible for examining and dismantling the device, Buckley was completing his task when the weapon exploded, torolly blinding him. For his "coolness

and courage he was awarded of the problem of mobility for the George Medal.

After a brief stay in St method was the guide dog, but Dunstan's in January, 1942, he reinined the staff of the shore restablishment. HMS Vernon, instructing RFVR officers in and two daughters.

Mr Paul Desmond, the jazz boy Jazz Poll Award four years beck Quartet, died on May 30 at the age of 52. Educated in San Francisco where he studied clarinet at school, Desmend played with Jack Fins and Alvino Rey before joining Dave Brubeck in 1951. He rose rapidly to celebrity as an alto sax player through his records with Brubeck and won the Play-

alto saxophonist who played for running from 1957 to 1960. He many years with the Dave Bru-Brubeck Quartet in 1958 and 1959 and the quartet was also a success in Western Europe, Poland and the Middle East.

Desmond left the Brubeck quartet in 1967. He had been working on an autobiography.

working on an autobiography which was to be entitled How Many Of You Are There In The Quartet, a question he sai hostesses often asked him.

Royal Humane Society

Princess Alexandra, the Hon Mrs

Angus Ogilvy, president, was pre-

sent at the annual general court of the Royal Humane Society held at Merchant Taylors' Hall yester-day. Mr R. T. Hawes was in the chair, and among those present

Royal Microscopical Society

The annual meeting of the Royal Microscopical Society was held at the Royal Society yesterday. The guest lecturer was Miss Joyce Plesters, of the National Gallery. Plesters. of the National Gallery, who spoke on microscopy in art. At an award ceremony afterwards the president of the society. Professor D. G. Murchison, conferred bonorary fellowship of the society on Professor Sir Peter Hirsch. FRS, and made the first award of the society's student medal to Mrs Christine LeBlond.

Birthdays today

Sir Geoffrey Aldington, 70; ViceAdmiral Lord Ashbourne, 76;
Lord Astor of Herer, 59; Viscount
Bearsted, 68; Lieutenant-Colonel
Sir Richard Cotterell, 70; Mr
William Deedes, 64; Mr Justice
Megarry, 67; Sir Eric Millbourn,
75; Admiral Sir Arthur Peters, 89;
Vice-Admiral Sir John Stevens,
77; Mr John Tooley, 53; Air
Commodore Sir Frank Whittle, 70.

CLOSED EXHIBITIONS M. P. McDowall (Lareshorough, Sons of Clerry, J. L. Warell (Bordle House) Armed Services Cranleigh School

The following awards have been made for 1977:

OPEN SCHOLARSHIPS; C. W. Mitchell (Mest Hill Park), C. R. Whorlow (Crarleach Preparatory School), M. A. Begg (Caldichit, M. J. N. Houli (Oakwood), P. A. F. Hobbs (S. Edmands Mindread), T. D. Bockneber (Alhen House and Cronleigh), S. J. Shaw (St. John's College School, Cambridge), R. W. Lambert (Edgeborough), N. D. Rammond (Follomilee), H. R. Dechridge (Hommwand House)

chair, and among those present were:
The High Commissioner for New Zeated Min Garlet the Decuty High
Cook Mr R. H. Noy a Roberts: 100
Duke and Direless of Wellington Lady.
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Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons

Dr P. D. Storie-Puch has been elected President of the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons. Other officers for the war to Dr Olga Uwaror, senior vice-president; Mr D. F. Oliver, treasurer.

MUSIC SCHOLARSHIPS P. J. Mottram (Cranleigh Preparators School) S. J. Shaw (St. John's Camberdor). W. Michaele Hasdings Grammar School). H. A. Presell (Cranleigh Preparator). S. H. H. Brews Preparatory Schools R. J. Latham (Cronleigh Schools R. J. Latham (Cronleigh Schools R. J. Latham (Cronleigh Schools). H. Hand St. John's Cepter Schools. Cambergory M. 15-7. Shaw (Erodus) is Constructed Schools. P. Walton (Calmiceds). Sherborne roof

appeal seeks £200.000

By a Staff Reporter
An appeal for £200,000 is to be launched to restore the roof of sherborne Abbey, which is often used as though it were Dorset's tathedral.

The abbey was restored a con-

The abbey was restored a contary ago, but the leprost of time and climate has eaten away the fabric and is endangering the magnificent fan vanlung and the

Sherborne was the outpost and cathedral rity of the West Saxons from AD 705. By 1085 its import-ance had declined, and the see

was removed to Selisbury. Yet the remains of two Saxon kings lie in the abbey, and Canut's queen once gave 29 pieces of sliver for repeting the roof. Much more will be needed today.

Those who want to help are invited to some constitutions to invited to send contributions to the Appeal Director, Abbey Close, Sherborne, Dorset.

Science report

Medicine: Multiple sclerosis and race

fering from multiple scierosis may provide an important clue to the cause of the disease. The clue lies in the very strong association of multiple scienosis with a particular multiple scierosis with a particular tissue type. (Tissue types are similar to blood types but there are many more of them.) About four fifths of North Europeans with multiple scierosis have a tissue type designated BT 101, which occurs in only a third of the population in general. Dr W. I. McDonald of the institute of Neuropeans, in London, and Dr D. A. S. Donald of the Institute of Neuro-logy, in London, and Dr D. A. S. Compton and Dr J. R. Batchelor, at the Queen Victoria Hospital, East Grinstead, have collaborated with Jordanian coctors in Amman in examining Arab multiple sclero-sis patients, and find that they show a very high preponderance of a different insue true. of a different rissue type.

Dr McDonald and his collabo-

rators tested 32 multiple sclerosis patients and 43 normal Arabs. Twenty-eight of the 32 patients had type BT 102, which occurred in only 15 of the normal group. There are two possible explanations for the difference. One is that the disparence is a delarged effects. that the disease is a delayed effect of early virus disease, and the virus conerned is different in Northern Europe and the Middle East. In that case, there would be a direct comexion between tissue a overct comexon between tissue type and susceptibility to the disease; and while, presumply, BT 101 would make people more susceptible to the North European virus, BT 102 would make them more susceptible to the Middle-Eastern one

Eastern one The alternative is that the two tissue types have become genetically linked by chance to some other quite unknown factor that is the real reason for susceptibility to the disease. In that case the racial

difference would simply mean that the genetic association has devel-oped a little differently in the two races.

The question, Dr McDonald and

The question, Dr McDoneld and his associates point out, could be resolved by an investigation on Arab multiple sclerors patients who spent their early years in Europea and as Europeans who were brought up in the Middle East. The results of such an investigation, which would be difficult to undertake, would tell researchers whether they have still searchers whether they have still to discover the factor that determines susceptibility or whether they have already discovered it and now need to find out how it accounts to the discovery they have already to the out to the search they have already to the they have already to the they have already to the they have the discovery to the they have still to they have they have still to they have the had have the had have they have they have they have they have they have they predisposes to disease. Nature-Times News Service Source: Lancet, May 28 (i. 1123;

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delalla apply Headmaster.

The Times Special Reports.

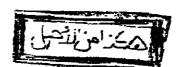
Stock Exchange Prices

Narrowly mixed trading

ACCOUNT DAYS: Dealings Began, May 23. Dealings End, June 10. 5 Contango Day, June 13. Settlement Day, June 21

§ Forward bargains are permitted on two previous days.







BUSINESS NEWS



r trading office engthens its i-trust role in haping plan

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The new competition rolley directorate, to be headed by Mr Neil Burnn, will have three main functions. One of these will concern international aspects of competition policy—particularly in connexton with the EEC Commission and the OVCD with the result of ion with the EEC Commission and the OECD with the registration of all types of restrictive agreements covering both goods and services and responsibility under the Resale Frices Act. The new division will also deal with proceedings in the restrictive practices court and finally with the work of monopolies and mergers in cluding follow-up action resulting from the work of the Monopolies, and Mergers Commission.

The competition directorate will be responsible for advising the Secretary of State for Prices and Consumer Protection on which mergers should be examined. Eath year the OFT undertakes about 30 case studies for possible reference to the Commission and about five references are made each

It was also made clear yea-terday by the office that it is about to step up its work in investigating unregistered trad-ing agreements which may infringe the restrictive practices legislation. Over the past 12 legislation. Over the past Le months the organization has been concentrating on the registration of havine agreements—about 600 such agreements had been notified to the end of June last year—and it is expected that about half will prove to contain registrable restrictions. Business Diary, page 23

Century Oils

light of Monopolies findings, Mr Secretary of State and Consumer Proas roled that BP's bid for Century Oils go shead. He is Gordon Borrie, General of Fair ek an undertaking on considered development

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Alexander Duckham motor and industrial oils subsidiary. The Commission took the view that

company", it concluded. As expected, Century's profits stressed from £820,000 to £1.3m on a £3.5m sales rise to the deferred liability-1353,000 in the previous year in accordwith accounting Exposure Significant compensation to be paid after loss of £53,400 a year top insurance post

Commercial Union chief executive resigns



Pru chairman in

By Adrienne Gleeson to a low level of confidence in Praise for the City, and a sunging attack on proposals to paint fully and profitably. Mr Owen says that the Wilson Committee investigating the maint representatives on the market of British companies, is some areas capable of improvement. But he is confident that it will confirm that the will confident that it will confirm that the City generally meets the demands upon it in an efficient and effective manner, and alapts itself rapidly to new market requirements. That proposals to nationalize

defence of City

stinging attack on proposals to nationalize the banks and in-

surance companies and com-pulsorily to introduce trade

union representatives on the boards of British companies, have been produced by Mr Ronald Owen, chairman of Pru-dential Assurance, the biggest

ife assurance company in

holders, Mr Owen attributes much; of the "El-informed"; criticism of the City and its

role in providing finance for

unfortunate tendency on the part of various elements of the British economy to attribute its failure to match the pace of progress elsewhere in the world

to one another's deficiencies.
He claims that the City
coffers one of the most sophis-

ranges of institutions geared to meeting the requirements of

industry and commerce to be found anywhere in the world.". He also says that there is "overwhelming" evidence that

low levels of investment reflect industry's unwillingness to in-vest more, which he attributes

innovative and flexible

industry and commerce to

Mr Gordon Dunlon has resigned from his £53,400 a-year job as chief executive of Commercial Union Assurance, the country's largest insurence

Sir Francis Sendilands, CU's chairman, said yesterday that Mr. Dunlop had "left ami-cably" after "differences of policy over the future of the company" with the rase of the

his-departure are, according to Sir Francis, "confidential mat-ters to the board". But it is clear that Mr Dunlop's star has been on the decline within the group since his aggressive expansion policy, which was originally received with macritical confusions in the early ran into the downturn sive losses in recent years.

director who has been with CU since 1938, was appointed chief

That proposals to nationalize

That proposals to nationalize the banks and insurance companies "could be seriously advocated as a solution to a problem which objective inquiry would show not to exist", is, he claims, "indicative of the sort of activity which tends to undermine commercial confidence in Britain and keep in-

dence in Britain and keep in-

He points out that "anything remotely resembling the Bullock majority proposals could not fail to generate disturbance

and confrontation in the absence of general acceptance by all those involved in industry, which patently does not exist at present, and would be bound to

have an adverse effect on con-

firmed at the meeting.

If Emins does not consider that the change of menagement will have a significant effect on the group's immediate policy. "If there has been a policy change it could, I think, he said to date back to the beginning of 1976", he said yesterday. said yesterday.

Mr Emms and Sir Francis

Mr Emms and Sir Francis, are adament that Mr Dunlop's departure does not presage a wider boardroom split within CU. Sir Francis said that "these difficulties (with Mr Dunlop) have been coming to a head over a matter of months. . but there is unity of opinion amongst the rest of the board".

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"When the chief executive finds himself against general policy it clearly created difficulties," said Sir Francis, who went on to say that, as Mr. Dunlop appreciated this division of views, "on the future of the company," he agreed to resign.

leasing

British motor manufacturers were worried last night that the

removal of courrols on the hira-purchase end leasing of business cars, which come into effect today, will lead to even bigger sales of imported rivals.

Ford, the market leader in

fleet cars, is extremely short of stock because of the demand

for its new Cortina and Piesta models, Leviand is still not in a free supply position after losing 75,000 cars during the recent toolmakers strike. Vaus-

half and Chrysler are short of their most popular fleet-type

In contrast, many of the importers are holding big stocks in this country and are in a much better position to take

advantage of any upsurge in

But the big worry for British makers is that the changes in the 1973 Control of Hiring Order will enable the importers

to become established in a sector of the market which has been a traditional British stronghold Almost all the importers' current 45 per cent

buyers. No deposits are now

required on hire-purchase agreements, no fixed period for repayment, no 10-month advanced payments for leasing

agreements and open-ended leasing contracts are now legal.

eles to private motorists.

British competitors.

By Clifford Webb

did not attend that holders and policyholders in but he was aware that CU should be reassured that lacement would be contact the meeting.

The doesn't expert any radical change in policy. The abandament of the Dunlop era constraints imposed by CU's balestee sheet resulted in a

£47.3m pre-tax profit last year after 1975's £10.2m loss. The group, which earned record premiums of £1,148m last year, has been cutting back on its overseas business after a £75.1m underwriting loss in the United States in 1972

Mc Dunkop has no service contract with the group but he is to be offered significant compensation for his loss of yesterday that terms had heen agreed on an ex-gratia payment which " are satisfactory to both parties, and ate fair and rea-These

revealed until they are put to shareholders at CU's annual



Gordon Dunlop : Left Mr amicably after "differences of policy over the future of the

Car makers' Effort to narrow gap worries on at Paris talks changes in

Paris, May 31

Any successful conclusion to
the vital final ministerial ses sion of the 27-notion Paris con-ference now appear to hang heavily on attempts to get a satisfactory deal between the United States and the major oil-

exporting nations.

In an attempt to bridge the gap between their positions, the hitherto separate working groups on energy and finance

were merged today.

Central to the negotiations seems to be the demand by the oil exporters for some kind of guarantee for the preservation of the purchasing power of their oil earnings to prevent their erosion by inflation.

American insistence that some way be found to continue discussions on energy questions after the conference—formally known as the Conference on International Boonomic Co-operation—ends this week.

This is one of the issues on which there are still very wide differences between the eight rich participating countries and the 19 developing countries. The Third World group, particularly the oil exporters, show every intention of conceding this American demand only if there are significant counter-

However, in recent months they have been stepping up their fleet sales operations and D60008. ally envisaged by the United Stares some two years ago as being exclusively about energy problems, including-security of oil supplies, prices and cooperrecruiting key personnel from Today's changes offer four major concessions for business, ation in finding new energy professional, local government or other public authority car

concessions

sources_ However, this was resisted at the outset and the conference was widened to include finance-ray materials and development

duestions, the working groups on energy and finance is viewed as highly significant. Many of the financial issues are of key

developing countries.

It also has the effect of linking energy to a whole range of monetary questions. The Third World countries have for a long time called for reform of the monerary system and the reopening of many monetary questions which were largely

thought to have been resolved in Jamaica early in 1976. If the Third World got its way, the International Monetary Fund would be recast and special drawing rights would replace dollars and gold as the main international money for serding debts.

Between states the allocation of special drawing rights through the IMF would also be specifically related to questions of world poverty. Moreover, the IMF would also make available much larger

sums of money to the poor countries and its sister insti-tution, the World Bank, would also substantially increase its lending to the Third World. The rich nations have never wanted to have energy ques-

tions linked by other inter-national issues of aid and trade. But the merging of the two working groups has now par-tially achieved this. The move followed a series

of early-morning bilateral meet-ings between Mr Cyrus Vauce. State, and ministers from some oil countries, including Mr Jamshid Amouzegar of Iran, as well as a meeting between the two co-chairmen of the conference. Mr Alan MacEachen of Canada, speaking for the rich group, and Señor Manuel Perrez-Guerrero of Venezuela, for the Third World.

A big area of difficulty is the continuing insistence of the developing countries for an immediate and total moratorium on all the Third World's debt navments. This is proving as knotty as the energy and importance to the oil exporters finance questions.

Why fewer executives seek a room at the top

tivation is provided by a survey, of over 500 executives published: yesterday. It shows that 51 per-cent of the respondents believe themselves to be less keen to obtain promotion than they were five years ago. Typically, they think that company profit ability could be improved by about 10 per cent a year provided they were adequately remarked.

Services among executives who, on average, were earning, £12,600 a year, none of whom was earning less than £8,000; and about one third of whom; were on over £14,000. It follows studies by other organizations in charting the

erosion of the real value of man-... agerial salaries since 1972 and concludes that "due in some measure to the effect of promotions the salaries of respondents under age 40 exceeded price inflation by substantial margins; Elsewhere, only the salaries of executive aged between 40 and 44 rose more than prices.

Its greatest interest, however,

lies in an attempt to analyse the attitudes of managers to their work and to their financial-circumstances. This is the first such survey cerried out by this organization, and the results have, therefore, to be interpreted with some care. For example, though 51 per cent of respondents said they were less-keen to accept promotion than they were five years ago, bea response in previous years, it is not clear to what extent it represents a deterioration in attitudes.

The survey notes that lengths of time in a lob was the main determinant of attitudes to promotion: "There is clear evirather than the prospect of promotion, is a motivating influence ".

It also observes that "recent promotion is the main mipant in perception of Eving standards. While promotion as such undoubtedly lifts morale, it is the attendant salety in-crease which improves or proteots spending power and, under the current style of pay resurant, promotion is the only circumstances under which substantial increases may awarded."

If there is to be a further stage of incomes policy, 54 per .. cent of the respondents would ability or productivity while 37 per cent favour fixed percenmge increases. Mr David Bromige, chairman

of Antony Gibbs Management. Services, commented that inborrowing clearly reflected efforts to maintain living, standards in the face of declin-ing affluence. "The fact that: dining-our and holidays were early casualties indicates a will-, ingness to forego luxuries, rather than abandon concern; for home-ownership and high standards of health care and education, regarded by the man-agers as fundamental to their lifestyle and aspirations." * Trouble at the Top, £12.50.

Rodney Cowton

ng against BP's bid

£17.45m for the year to end-March last. The return on capital employed was more than 20 per cent. Tax of £208,600 has been calculated to eliminate

efficiency and competition in the lubricants market were most likely to be maintained if the market were served by a number of separate concerns varying both in size and in degree of specialization.

It would thus be regrettable

if Century, the largest of the independent lubricant pro-ducers i nihe country, were to

Draft 19. Earnings are thus main reservation, it shown at 12.86p against 8.23p stemmed from BP's per share under the latest terge Cantury into its accounting guidelines.

improve the efficiency and pro-

finability of the private sector in the long term, while causing severe short-term disruption to

the management of every major, company in the United Kingdom

Dimplex calls in receiver

By Our Financial Staff Dimplex has never recovered Dimplex Industries, one of from a succession of events the best-known names in the which severely reduced the marthe best-known names in the which severely reduced the mar-electrical heating business, has ket for night-storage heaters; asked its bankers, the Midland, the oil crisis, the miners' strike to appoint a receiver.

to the six months to October

15, last year, the company made
to pre-tax loss of £512,000, cent.

16 against £473,057 for the whole
18 of the previous year. In the United Kingdom demand for year to the end of March, 1975, night-storage heaters has color Dimplex made a loss of lapsed from 750,000 units a year to 120,000 units.

the committee, agreed yesterday that some of the technical

objections to the Bullock Com-

mittee proposals might also,

apply to the voluntary appointment of such directors by com-

These objections include the

committee's .main · basis . for

employee board representation cracy" employee board representation Mr John Hull, chairman of

and the one-time plan of the Government to increase the off-

City group fears Bullock disruption

The Economist Intelligence Unit has forecast that leasing business will double during the next three years and could reach 300,000 cars annually. Mr. David, Whitehead, manag-ing-director of Fleetlease, consultants, said on a business car custing \$2,592 the old controls

cisting 12,592 the old controls would have required a hire purchase deposit of 1864. At 84 per cent flat rate interest over: two years there would have been 24 mouthly payments of 1844, making total interest paid of 18294. With the new nodeposit terms the mouthly payment over two years would ment over two years would now be £126 and the total in-terest £441, an increase of 50 per cent.

> He said the same car subject to lezsing showed a saving of £1,248 over the two-year period. This substantial saving arose because under hire purchase the user paid for the whole cost of the vehicle, whereas leasing was based on about half that value ie the depreciation.

mendations of the Bullock Com-minee on Employee Participa-tion, which has been sent to Mr Dell, Secretary of State for Trace.

So says the City Company Law Committee in *A Reply to Bullock, its review of the recomopposition to the Bullock proposals, which is their deep concern at the impact they would of the joint stock system, a system based on the concept that the tiltimate authority and control over a company rests with those who provide the capital (ie the shareholders) in general meeting.".

The committee "would not

Compulsory introduction of prenation of industrial demo- be regarded as inviolable or that the definition of management's responsibilities are incapable of improvement". it does not believe that such a fundamental change in

the underlying concept of comunless it is shown to have the overwhelming support approval of all those directly affected."

The Bullock proposals do not have this support, the committee

The committee also objects to the undemocratic nature of the Bullock proposals, the implication that management repres tion that management represen-tatives on the board invariably act in the interests of share-bolders, and the risks of breach of confidentiality. *A Reply to Bullock, available at 75p from Anthony Cardew, Charles Barker ABH Ltd. 30, Farringdon Street, London EC4.

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Vickers Wadkin 23 21 Prospectus: 11} per cent Treasury Stock, 1991 Mid Southern Water Co 24

LONDON 31ST MAY :::: FRANCIS INDUSTRIES AGM CHAIRMAN D.M. SAUNDERS REPORTED GROWTH TREND RENEWED IN 1976 PRETAX SOF PROFITS EXCEEDED RECORD &1 MILLION MARK FIRST QUARTER 77 RESULTS ON TARGET INDICATING ANOTHER GOOD YEAR PROSPECTS LONGER TERM CONTINUE TO LOOK ENCOURAGING EXTENSIONS TO FACTORIES IN UK AND FRANCE COMPLETED INVESTMENT IN NEW PLANT AUTHORISED RE EQUIPMENT PROGRAMME ON SCHEDULE MORE EXPORT ORDERS RECEIVED FOR BOTH PACKAGING AND AUTOMOTIVE PRODUCTS GROUP WELL PLACED TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF INCREASING DEMAND IN 1.75 PRINCIPAL MARKETS WHICH INCLUDE MAJOR BLUE CHIP CUSTOMERS SHARE PRICE 48 PENCE WITH DIVIDEND YIELD OF 10.8% 4.8 TIMES COVER ::::

D. M. Saunders, Chairman, Francis Industries Ltd. Group companies are engaged in the engineering industry, specialising in the manufacture of packaging,

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Group favours

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troduction of the systems simultaneously for all com-panies except small ones, and wants to see CCA introduced. mitially as a supplementary statement to the fistoric cost accounts for a period of two years. There should then be aequity capital for further period when historic cost accounts would be supple mentary: These are the initial conclu-

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BNOC ends first year with loss after expenditure of £396m

By Roger Vielvoye Energy Correspondent

Establishing the British lational Oil Corporation (BNOC) as a major force in the North Sea cost £396m. At the end of its first year's opera-tions, the newest State-owned industry made a loss of £1.2m, and is preparing to raise a \$700m (£407m) Eurodollar luan to finance its continuing heavy offshore investment.

Lord Kearton, chairman of BNOC, presenting his first report and accounts yesterday, said that by 1979-80 the cor-poration should be announcing s first profits.

As offshore investments began to yield results, the corporation expected to be "an attractive feature of the State industry scene

More than 5287m was spent on acquiring the National Coal Board's North Sea assets and a substantial part of Eurmah's offshore interests. The remaining £109m went on exploration and contribution to the development of five oilfields and one gas field which the corporation

Italian call for cut in

Surpluses
From John Earle
Rome, May 31
Signor Paolo Baffi, governor
of the Bank of Italy, today
called on West Germany, Japan,
Holland and Switzerland to
adopt active policies to cut adopt active policies to cut their balance of payments surpluses, especially as the ol deficit is taking longer to absorb internationally than expected.

Addressing the bank's annual meeting here he said the Curmeeting here, he said the current account deficit of OECD countries, after falling from \$33,000m (about £18,000m) to 56,000m between 1974 and 1975, had risen again in 1976 to

S24,000m. At the same time the Opec countries' surplus, cut from \$60,000m to \$32,000m in the 1975 recession, had increased to \$46,000m.

It was now shown that the reabsorption of the pil-induced imbalance was taking place more slowly than forecast.

If the Opec area surplus was not to be overcome until around the mid-1980s, the problems it raised, including the indebtedness of importing countries, could assume critical dimen-sions, especially if importing countries did not succeed in obtaining a more satisfactory distribution of their current

Therefore, he went on: "It is necessary for industrial countries in surplus to put into action economic policies designed to reduce their sur-pluses."

acquired from the NCB and

The five ailfields are Thistle. Ninian, Dunhn, Statfjord and Murchison, none of which has yet produced any oil. The Vik-ing gas field is in production, but development is continuing. During the year BNOC and the Department of Energy also negotiated a 51 per cent state participation in most of the commercial oilfields in the North Sea.

Under a number of these agreements, BNOC has the option to buy, at market prices, a portion of the output of the Through participation, BNOC also acquires information about fields under development, and

a voice and vote in the operations of the groups that run the oilfields. British Petroleum, which last sign a final detailed document

buy any surplus oil from the British Gas Corporation, will give BNOC access to 30 million tons a year—equivalent to about a third of Britain's likely requirements by that date. Lord Kearton said the corporation was devising plans for marketing substantial quanbut in its early years the corporation did not expect to

enter into refining and market-

revenue during the year came from the former NCB 50 per cent stake in the Viking gas field. Ner of royalty, it produced 523.4m and after operatting and administrative costs provided BNOC with an operating profit of £7.5m, which was turned into a loss of £1.2m

after interest charges.
Interest charges totalling year agreed to the outlines of nearly £23m paid on financing participation, is expected to for oilfield developments that are still under construction have been carried forward, but today.

By 1980 these participation nor capitalized as this would options plus the corporation's equity share in the five oil-fields, and a further option to have misrepresented the true position of the corporation.

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Three-point plan to save UK steel industry

From Ronald Kershaw Correspondent

Scarbarough
An initiative from Sir Charles
Villiers, chairman of the British
Steel Corporation, designed to
increase and improve industrial
democracy, step up efficiency,
and raise productivity in the public sector was put to the Iron and Steel Trades Confederation at its second annual dele-gate conference at Scarborough

The package, a three-part offer, was warmly welcomed by Mr Varley, Secretary of State for Industry.

It compromises the establishment of a Steel Contract, a Steel Council and a Steel Policy Board. In a typically blunt speech, Sir Charles told delegates: "A close, continuous scrutiny during the past 12 months has convinced me that we cannot make a successful steel industry in this country structured as we are now."

Co-op conference votes by narrow margin for referendum on merger

From Our Industrial Editor
Every retail co-operative
society in Britain together structure which would com-pletely mansform the shape of the Co-op-movement by abolish-ing both the CWS and the Co-opsociety in Britain—together they have nearly 11 million members and annual sales of 52,500m—will be asked in a Union but setting up a single high command and a series of special referendum whether they support a draft plan for regional boards. merging their national federation, the Co-operative Union, with the £1,300m Co-operative the way forward

After two years work, a majority of the merger commir-tee argued that their ideas were the way forward to a stream-Wholesale Society.

The decision to take a grass lined organization to handle the next stage of the Co-op's fightroots" referendum, imprece-dented in modern Co-op history, back in the High Streets of was agreed after a cliff-hanging Britain. ballot at the annual Co-op con-ference in Blackpool. Voting The referendam of 215 retail

societies which will now be taken is seen by most observers was 8,936 for a poll and 8,776 as a possible serback for the big societies which are keen on It was the outcome of a bewildering tactical battle which dominated the second day ganization.

custodian of the movement's on whether retail societies ideals, and provides for particle around the country. powerful new federation.
Failure to get this majority must kill the merger plan before the negotiating committee
has prepared its final detailed
report on its ideas for reforms.
Mr Bill Farrow, the chairman The CWS, separately owned by the same retail societies, is the movement's principal supplier of goods and engages in banking, manufacturing, insurance and farming.

Leaders of both the CWS and the Co-op Union sat back while a complex struggle by of the CWS, announced that the CWS would not vote on the issue. It was clear that opinion in retail societies was divided. while a complex struggle by card votes on a series of motions, and by a stream of speakers mounting the costrum Nevertheless, the CWS wanted stronger, more united moyement on a basis acceptable to the majority of Co-op members, he said. This board would listen o oppose or to support the deas of amalgamation, to all the points raised during the debates which took place at

ceration merging the two organi-zations would be dominated by the chief officials of the big retail Co-ops and the CWS. of the movement, if brought to-gether, could help solve prob-lems and make possible greater tee (itself divided), had put before the congress a document

Japanese to spend £880m to bolster textiles

Tokyo, May 31.—Japan's Ministry of International Trade and Industry announced today that it would arrange for 42,000m ven (about £882m) in aid for Japanese textile mills to pull themselves out of re-

It said the measure would apply to cotton, spun rayon, synthetic fibre and woollen spinners, as well as rayon staple

Chrysler export setback in Iran

Chrysler UK has suffered a setback in its exports to Iran and this year will have to cut engine shipments to that country by 15 per cent.

The company said yesterday that Iran National, which assembles a version of the Hunter from United Kingdom-made

In brief kits, had reduced its 1977 order for engines to 110,000 from 130,000 because of production cutbacks caused by power

Malaysia orders Fords Ford in Britain, soon to launch its new Cortina range in Malaysia, announced yesterday that it had won an order for 236 of the model for the Malaysian police. The vehicles will be shipped in knocked-down form and assembled in

Building aid plea Union representatives on the National Joint Council for the Engineering Construction Con-ciliation Board have told Mr Callaghan that the Government must inject £1,100m into house-building, rehabilitation work, ioner cities and civil engineer-

trading activities and politics.

New Wall's factory Wall's Meat announced a

£21m factory investment yesterday on the eve of a meeting of the European Commission about the fate of the British pig industry. The company, part of Unilever, said it would build a new factory at Evesham.

Burgiar alarm report

The Price Commission, in a report yesterday, said that there should be more competi-

tion in the burglar alarm, industry. This would lead to efficiency, lower charges and a better service for users. "There are practices in the industry which, if amended, could improve competition? says the report.

Polish plant deal

Hoesch Werke AG announced in Dortmund that its subsidiery Vacmetal Gesellschaft Für Vak uum-Metallurgie mbH, had received an order from the Polish foreign trade concern Centro zap to build a 300-toune vacuum plant for Poland's Huta Katowice steelworks. The plant is used to reduce hydrogen levels

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Case for a strengthened pound to restore Britain's buying power

From Lady Robson of Kiddington
Kiddington
Sir, The article, which appeared
in The Times of May 26 by Mr
in The Times of May 26 by Mr John Whitmore entitled serves for a rainy day? referred to the two schools of thought which appear to exist in relation to exchange rate policy. tion to exchange rate polity.

There are apparently a number of very responsible people who would like to see the sterling rate of exchange float upwards, but there is the other school of thought that persists in advocating further devaluation of sterling based on the assumption that this would lead to an export-led boom.

assumption that this would less to an export-led boom.

I would suggest that the time has come for a very serious study indeed of the impact upon the national economy of the 14 per cent devaluation of sterling which took place in 1967 and the near collapse of sterling in 1976 when it fell from \$2.40 to and of \$1.56 to the pound. a nadir of \$1.54 to the pound. As far as I am aware no one has endeavoured to quantify the impact and inflationary effect of the devaluation of the

effect of the devandation of the nation's buying power flowing from these events.

Mr. Healey, in his budger speech, claimed with some satisfaction that the sterling rate had improved from \$1.54 to approximately \$1.70 to the national and water on the sound. pound and went on to point out that this had reduced the cost of imports by some f2.000m to £3,000m. If his claim is correct it is surely logical to assume that the nation's im-

Blackpool so that it could take: account of all opinions. He said the combined re-sources of all constituent parts

ports, now running in excess of E33,000m per annum are costing British fedustry in particular and the consumer in general at least £10,000m more than would have been the case than it been possible to maintain had it been possible to maiotain the sterling rate of exchange at

Surely, it is this fall in the sterling rate of exchange which has stoked up our rate of inflation to a figure in excess of 17 per cent per annum. In consequence the Government is experiencing very real difficulties in negotiating a satisfactory Phase Three wage policy designed to combat inflation and hold down industrial costs.

I suspect that the true explanation for the failure to

achieve an export led boom by reducing the value of sterling results from the fact that British industry must necessarily be burdened with the increase in the cost of imports amounting more than £10,000m per annum. An export policy based on an ever-declining value of the pound has imposed the equivalent of a 40 per centrariff on British imports but without generating the related income in the form of import

Our main industrial competi-tors, including the United States, Germany and Japan, have pursued policies based on maintaining and in the case of Germany enhancing the value of their currencies and hence

There comes a time when we

long overdue. Nevertheless no

standard now should preclude

the necessity for evolution and

refinement

Yours faithfully,

11 Cambridge Road, Loodon SW20.

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If the pound could way back in work exchange markets to \$2.40 tite prize would mous, a reduction in trial and consumer £10,000m. No other national economic po have a comparable our rate of inflation of taining and improving petitive power of industry in overseas Yours faithfully, ROZSON OF KIDDIN House of Lords,

Girls' standards in the sciences

From Mr D. H. Sharp. Sir. There may be a prejudice in industry and the schools against the adoption by girls of engineering as a profession as stated by Mr Gordon Oakes (May 18) but it does not seem to apply in chemical engineer-

The Society of Chemical Industry is currently sponsoring a scholarship scheme toencourage the best of our young people to enter universities to read chemical angineering and subsequently to enter the chemical and allied

Action on inflation accounting

From Mr D. A. D. Essex From Mr D. A. D. Essex
Sir, The reasonableness of his
moderation, the subtlety of
and authority behind his analysis should convince me that
Sir Kenneth Bond ("Applying
three key tests to inflation
accounting"—May 24) is
right—but it does not. His
message is an old one—better
the devil you know than the
one you don't. It is a recipe for one you don't. It is a recipe for

industries. The scheme, which is frankly, elitist, has been made possible by the support of three major firms (BP, ICI, Shell). Of the 155 applications received for scholarships this year, whereas only 20 were from girls, no fewer than eight are included among the 40 selected for interview and from whom the 25 successful applicants will be selected.

Thus whereas only 24 per cent of the male candidates have been selected for interview, 40 per cent of the appli- 14 Belgrare Souare, cations from young women are London SWIX RPS.

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The heading on the l Mr G. M. Beresford published in The Tr ness News vesterday correct. It should Objections to natic arid rechnical rather rical", mus si "nerional water g

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Chairman reports on Group Expansion

The following are extracts from the Annual Statement for 1976 of R. H. Owen, Chairman.

In the year under review group profits available for distribution, at £24.4m, showed an increase of 36 per cent, and your Directors have indicated their intention that shareholders should receive a gross dividend for the year of 9.16p per share, an increase of 10 per cent.

Spread of activities Over recent years a gradual but important change has been brought about in the structure of our business.

The Prudential Group of companies, as it has now developed, has a much greater spread of activities across virtually the whole range of business in the insurance market, both at home and internationally. In addition to its traditional areas of strength, the life business of the Prudential Group now includes important contributions from its group. Prudential Group now includes important contributions from its group pension business, from the top end of the market for individuals (sold through insurance brokers), and from reinsurance business, as well as a small but growing amount of life business sold in Europe.

Our general insurance business now has a premium income 8 times that of a decade ago, of which some two-thirds originates overseas and includes an important element of reinsurance business.

Financing industry It has been suggested that the financial system has failed to make funds available which would have enabled our industry. to invest on a scale more comparable with that achieved in some other leading industrial countries. The evidence, however, is overwhelming that the low levels of investment reflect industry's unwillingness to invest more, caused by a low level of confidence in its being able to utilise additional plant fully and profitably. There is no evidence that when well run and profitable companies wish to raise money in order to finance the expansion and modernisation of plant they have been

There is much evidence that nationalisation of the leading insurance companies would be most unwelcome to the public and against the wishes of the bulk of their staffs. Great damage would be done to the industry's ability to earn foreign currency from its overseas operations.

Bullock Report Anything remotely resembling the Bullock majority proposals could not fail to generate disturbance and confrontation in the absence of general acceptance by all those involved in industry. which patently does not exist at present, and would be bound to have an adverse effect on confidence,

Occupational Pensions The proposal to achieve member participation in scheme management through legislation rather than through a code of good practice is controversial and the proposal to give trade unions the right to appoint 50 per cent of the members of all bodies concerned with the general management of schemes, including the trustees, is objectionable. It seems to us that any provisions which might be implemented should be such as to allow companies and scheme members considerable freedom to devise arrangements best suited to their own particular schemes and needs.

1976 Progress Report for the **Prudential Group**

Life Assurance New-Ordinary Branch annual premium income amounted to £92m, while single premiums and considerations totalled £67m. The annual premium income in force at the end of 1976 was £395m (£320m in 1975). There was further substantial progress in group pension business.

In the Industrial Branch the new annual oremium income was £30m while the annual premium income in force at the end of 1976 was £144m (£129m in 1975).

Bonus Declaration Increases in both reversionary. and terminal bonuses have been declared for United Kingdom Ordinary Branch policies, reflecting the continued improvement in the return on our investments. In the Industrial Branch this improvement has enabled terminal bonus to be increased.

General Insurance Premium income amounted to £322m, an increase of £88m over 1975. The net surplus for the year was £6.3m compared with

havestments A major proportion of the year's new funds arising in the United Kingdom were applied to the purchase of gilt-edged securities. We continued to play our part in providing underwriting support for new equity issues, and a significant element of the new investment by the Company in ordinary shares was through taking up our share of rights issues. The funds assigned to property largely represented commitments on major office and shop developments begun in earlier years.

Leslie & Godwin take a new look at traditional markets and actively pursue new business opportunities

The Chairman, The Hon. Jacob Rothschild. reported that group profits for 1976 had increased from £3.835 million to £4.938 million and the net profit attributable to the company had increased from £1.683 million to £2.083 million. The volume of premium income handled had increased from £151 million to £217 million.

In the United Kingdom and Ireland the year had been a period of consolidation.Overseas, Leslie & Godwin International Ltd., .. operating through 70 countries had achieved a very satisfactory increase in carnings and profitability.

The Chairman concluded: "The company's

1976 £000 £000 4,938 3,835 Group Profit Less: Abnormal items 3,456 1,764 1,692 4,070 Profit before Tax 2,136 1,934 Taxation Less: Minocity 73 <u>·15</u> Interests 1,861 1,677 Extraordinary items less taxation 2,083 Profitattributable Dividends per Ordinary Share 4.065p 3.695p Earnings per **Ordinary Share** 9.416p 8.478p

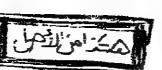
underlying strength on service and technical expertise is more than enough to assure continued expansion and consequent profitability in its international business."

"Considerable effort is being applied to introducing new management techniques and further improving our service to.

clients. We are taking a new look at traditional markets and -just as importantly-seeking new business opportunities and markets. With our stronfinancial position we are well placed to take a lead in what we believe is a changing climate for the insurance broking industry."

The full Report and Accounts and Chairman's Statement for 1976 can be obtained from the Secretary, Dunster House, Mark Lane, London EC3P 3AD.

INTERNATIONAL INSURANCE AND RE-INSURANCE BROKERS



A copy of the full Statement is available from:-The Prudential Assurance Company Limited, 142 Holborn Bars, London, ECIN 2NH.

BY THE FINANCIAL EDITOR

ECI resists temptation

e returns available to the more s investors over the period, an its impact.
return of around 122 per cent Unlike the
n entrusted to ECI by the policious cise when ious last June may not seem all

is not, of course, in the risk game in quite that sense. Morethe current short-term attraction switching its funds out of low loney market instruments into igh-yielding investments like the North preference stock, it is also ECI is far more concerned, and h making the correct long-term ian worrying about its own short-

ECI has been short of applicants, ay by and large by financial and the Bank of England's netzional offices. To date there have n 99 applications, of which 30 or on the possible/probable list. Of 0, around 25 wanted less than the inimum limit that ECI has set ere considered too speculative or make a profit, 15 were taken over-nance from other sources (includarmal stock market mechanism 3B), 10 were apparently merely ing, and the final five have since te the responsibility of the under-

the more interesting characiong applicants are the relatively ers of quoted companies and com-1 large family shareholdings. In the former, this seems to con-icreasing problem of the smaller noony as institutional investors. more on marketable stocks. The nerhaps, rather less surprising ilies' inability or unwillingness nore and more capital in their But the fact that ECI's sim is its investments as they come to nd it can give no guarantees as owners-does mean that families to come to realise that they can have their cake and eat it. s the monitoring of investments

ECI as a non-stock market trader ccess to confidential information ms confident that its executive

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the battle over nationalization of erospace and shipbuilding indueen lost. The Government is not -1 inch on any substantive point en a change of administration is make much difference on that the recovery

ie crucial question of compensaon remains as opaque as ever it True, shipbuilding groups are st part less worried about this crospace companies since being ated concerns their compensation isilv calculated by reference to hare price levels during the period of the six months to

cases as well, there is a good get het up about with the shiplustry slipping deeper into receshe past couple of years.

'ust, the aerospace industry has strength to strength. So it is of a nonsense to my and value oncerns like the British Aircraft has if they were full fledged

day for the aerospace groups: the at the end of April but their nounies are still no closer to hat they will eventually receive. , the final compensation settlewell prove to be a drawn-out GEC and Vickers, joint owners id Hawker Siddeley going to an process which could take a year

ford. Equity Capital for Industry, To add to the confusion, the stock market rional investors answer to the is still in the dark about the payment made a pre-tax profit of mechanism for compensation money. Prece ts first nine months of operation dent suggests a government loan stock, making a single investment in though here again its reception in the mar-ker and the likely discount on par value it will sell on add to the difficulties of gauging

> Unlike the earlier public relations exercise when they were hinting daturally enough at the quite sizable compensation



Lord Robens, chairman of Vickets.

sums, both Vickers and Hawker are now keteping quiet on what they expect to get. Understandable, perhaps, in that they do not want to prejudice their case with the Government. But my feeling is that it has es much to do with the fact that the para-

over. No doubt both Hawker and Vickers. have a shopping list but again what they can do depends on the sums of money they end up with. In the short run, both are far more likely to graft new interests on to their existing businesses rather than go for one large takeover although both are likely to be eyeing enviously Babook. Wilcox's judicious United States purchase and Haw-ker in particular would like a third leg in addition to its electric motor and diesel engine business to tean on;

Meanwhile, Vickers' annual report underlines the extent to which it too has developed its business to help offset the loss of BAC but it is difficult so entirely share Lord Robens' confidence that heavy capital spending in these areas will start to pay off in the next year or so to plug the loss

of BAC earnings.

As it is, the balance sheet is showing the impact of this expansion to some extent. with gearing at its highest level for the past five years and interest charges up to a third of trading profits.

Stage two of

Paper and board demand picked up sharply last year after severe destocking by users during the preceading 12 months. That much is well understood by the stock market and has been discounted, in most to progress has been made at all. sharply last year after severe destocking market and has been discounted, in most leading papermakers' share prices.

This year will see an improvement as

the sector moves into the next stage of the cycle. Specifically, that means a pick-up for the white paper and printing paper companies. This will particularly show through at Dickinson Robinson but it will have less effect on Reed and Bwater.

Still, Reed's profits during the past year up from £37.4m to £74.5m—would have been

better but for a poor performance in Canada where the chief executive has resigned after three quarters of awful results. Reed's performance there is unlikely to deteriorate in the current year and with newsprint con-sumption in the States up 8 per cent in the first four months there are hopes of a

Despite its recovery so far Reed's share price at 212p has been unduly depressed compared against the market. This reflects its poor balance sheet. Borrowings—£100m. higher last year—are more than 15 times shareholders funds and the wisdom of recent acquisitions looks open to debate. True, a yield of 9.4 per cent has its attractions, though the shares are overhung by the possibility of another rights.

Frank Vogl on commercial banks' assessing the risks of lending to foreign governments

Bankers in search for a better deal on international loans

The international payments system is increasingly coming to resemble a high stakes game of poker. A game that starts with large numbers of partici-pants, who, as the risks rise, gradualy withdraw, taking large

osses.
The new external financing of non-oil-exporting developing countries since the end of 1973 has exceeded \$100,000m (558,200m). So far the losses taken by those who have ex-tended these loans have been small but debts are being piled upon debts and the demand for new foreign loans is rising at a dramatic pace.
Some countries may have to

default on loans in due course and, some commercial banks and some commercial banks may find that they must either take losses, or roll-over loans, so increasing their risk, in the hope that the fortunes of borrowers will revive and loan repayments will be possible.

Bankers and many government officials are now hotly debating the question of whether the international banking system is becoming danger. ing system is becoming danger-ously exposed as a result of the expansion in balance of pay-ments lending.

Most banks involved in inter-national lending have devised country credit rating systems. In almost every case the banks try to evaluate the credit risk as much to do with the fact that the paraanters within which they are working fines,
mally are so wide as to make such estimates
pointless,
Faced with the inflow of such large
tranches of cash, however, one of the City
favourite games has been to spot the takeover. No doubt both Hawker and Vickers consist of evaluations of pub-lished economic data plus the personal ampressions of bank officials of the political and social developments of the

A large number of bankers

candidly admir that their its management quality, its for allocating priorities and hig losses because of country credit racing systems record of honouring its com- resources, governmental pro- domestic real estate loan leave much to be desired. They mitments and its relationship cedures for planning future evaluation." point out that much of the published economic data on foreign countries is often out of date and that most banks do not have the resources or personnel to make more than amateurish assessments of international

political developments. As a result there are a large number of bankers today who would like to see much greater would like to see much greater cooperation between the commercial banks and the international Monetary Fund in the information area. The bankers believe the IMF has the ability to obtain accurate foreign economic data and that the fund and the World Bank have the experience and resources needed for political evaluations.

The international organizations do not, by and large, seem ready to share their knowledge with commercial bankers for the time being and indeed there are numerous political considerations that make this sort of cooperation difficult. There are a few banks that

maintain that they are able to develop highly accurate country

credit rating systems without any help from the IMF. The Bank of America, for example, not only claims to have one of the most sophisticated systems but Mr A. C. Rice, its inter but Mr A. C. Rice, its inter-national executive vice-presi-dent, argues that the high salaries offered by the bank-ensure that it gets just as skilled people, if not more more skilled people, than the IMF or World Bank can attract. The Bank of America's system is complicated. Specific numerical and alphabetical risk ratings are assigned to every ratings are assigned to every country under a system that seeks to combine detailed evalu-

otions of a country's economy, its political and social stability,

between its projected external debt service and the resources which it can make available for that debt service. Under the system the best rating a country can get is "A1" while the worst is "E5".

The ratiogs of countries are constantly reviewed by the Bank of America. Thus, for Bank of America. Thus, for example, in 1971 Italy's rating was "B2", then by the end of 1972 it fell to "C2", then to "C3" in 1973, then even lower to "C4" in the following year, and back to "C3" in 1975 (the bank refuses to divulge its present country ratings). These changing ratings show, the bank notes, that four system began to record four system began to record economic instability in Italy as early as 1972.

The Bank of America's system partly consists of what it calls its "adaptability index", which is composed of data for a country on real gross domestic product per capita, consumer prices, merchandise export earnings, domestic and foreign savings, export product concen-tration, food and fuel imports, exchange rate adjustment and the IMF account position.

The amount of data used in the economic analysis is vast. For example, one of the gross domestic product culculations made involves comparing the trend in one country with that of all other countries. Needless to say the bank uses

a huge computer programme for its system. The ratings also hinge on evaluations made by the bank's executives on a country's "historical political sta-bility, the presence of social class tensions, the general level of education, and the strength and tactics of revolutionary elements . . . procedures used

resources, governmental pro-cedures for planning future economic development . . . the Many banks want cooperation security, the military dependence on other countries, mem-bership in international alliances . . . economic and financial importance of the country to the United States, and the impact that American fiscal and monetary policies may have

on the country". Mr Rice is very proud of the Bank of America's system, but having heard quite a lot about it. I was left wondering whether really is nearly as good as it reany is nearly as good as Mr Rice suggests. A great deal of the analysis, after all, is highly subjective and done by people whose training has been in lending money, not in observing widely assorted political situations.

Mr Rice asserts that making evaluations the officers of the bank are frequently visitof the bank are frequently visiting government leaders abroad,
but the red carpet treatment
often accorded international
bankers by foreign governments
makes one wonder just how
objective is the view obtained
by these bankers.

The Chase Manhattan Bank also has a highly complicated system, although one that is not quite so bewildering as that employed by the Bank of America

There are a few bankers who There are a few bankers who fistly assert that some of their colleagues are no confident about their abilities in evaluating country risks. One banker, who holds a top position at one of America's largest banks, did not wish to be quited by name, but noted that: "I am amazed that some of the banks really believe they can do a very soud believe they can do a very good job on evaluating foreign loans, when in the last few years a lot of banks here have taken

Many banks want cooperation with the IMF to go well beyond the provision of information, and believe means of cooperation can be developed that reduce the dangers involved in private bank lending. These banks are swift to point out that they are not seeking some kind of "hand-out" from the IMF for their foreign liabilities.

There seems to be little doubt that joint lending between com-mercial banks and multilateral official institutions is an avenue that should be exploited.

The World Bank has made several loans on fixed interest rate terms with commercial bank participation. These loans have been negotiated with the borrower on a separate basis by the World Bank and the commercial banks, but the security given to the commer-cial banks has been sometimes substantial.

Some of these loans have, for example, been guaranteed by the government of the borrow-ing country. Collections and disbursements regarding these. loans have often been made for the commercial bank by the World Bank. Some joint loans have had cross-default provisions, where a default on the commercial bank part of the loan by a borrower may lead the World Bank to call its own loan into default.

An immense amount of work still has to be done by commer-cial banks, central banks, goveroments and official inter-national institutions if a smooth functioning balance of pay-ments adjustments process is to be maintained and if international leading is not to brbanks and nations become heavy

David Shirreff

Post-election austerity Turkey's only way out?

Central bankers are furious with Turkey's opposition press for "stabbing the country in the back" in the heat of a typically lack "in the heat of a typically vicious election campaign which is due to end on Sunday. The right wing government of Mr Suleyman. Demitel, the Prime Minister, has bankrupted the country, one press report claims, and that Turkish diplomets have found that their pay cheques have not been honoured in Tokyo. Geneva and London. Telegrams of com-London. Telegrams of com-plaint from two Turkish ambassadors were printed in full.

had blocked the central bank's accounts. Cross-checking with Citibank in Tokyo, the Deutsche Bank in Frankfurt and Barclays in London revealed that no such pressure had been applied, although payment may have been delayed for technical reasons. Meanwhile, a Japanese news-paper said that local exporters were asking their government to investigate a balt in pay-ments from Turkey. There is so smoke without a

fire. By their reaction both the central bank and the finance central bank and the finance ministry showed they had been stung. Mr Tayyar Sadikhr, chairman of the central bank, admitted that the bank often relies on its reputation to esso it through foreign currency shortages, and he accused the press of putting that reputation in jeopardy. Mr Yilmaz Ergenekon, the Finance Minister, confirmed that some banks had hesitated on payments, but only estitated on payments, but only these items could be disastrous.

limports in the first four months of this year totalled.

International exporters are \$1,700m which is about 44 per hesitated on payments, but only because: of Turkish press reports.

well aware that Turkey has been delaying badly on import transfers for the past two years, and particularly since mid-March this year. The delays are 50 per cent due to the country's chronic foreign currency short-age and 50 per cent because of the June 5 elections. Until a new government is sworn in, strong enough to bring in austerity measures and perhaps a devaluation, the present hand-to-mouth activity will continue. .

Even then a solution to Turkey's domestic economic problems would not be found overnight. The population of just over 40 million grows an average of 2.4 per cent a year adding about 400,000 to the bour force.

Unemployment is officially put at 2.066,000, yet at the present rate of investment only about 300,000 new jobs are created each year and half of those are in the services sector. The exporting of surplus labour abroad has only been a tempo-rary solution. Last year only 134,000 jobs were created in manufacturing industry, coustruction and transport, while employment in agriculture actually fell by 25,000.

Turkey's gross national product grows by 7.5 per cent a year, yet this is almost all consumed by wage increases averaging 22 per cent, the rising cost of living at 17, to 18 per cent, and the increasing cost of essential commodities (16.6 per cent last year). Steel, coal and oil continue to make up 30 per cent of the import bill. Under present ambitious investment plans a shortfall in

cent below rarget, while exports. European Investment Bank and fell 12 per cent short of target at \$641.9m. On this showing Turkey is heading for a trade daffeit of about \$3,200m, just \$100m below the government's target. Financing the deficit

another problem, particularly since another \$400m must be spent on servicing and repaying money already borrowed. A previous source of foreign currency, expatriate workers' remittances, appears stuck at about 51,000m a year. Assuming pro-ject credits from foreign sources of between \$600m and \$850m. Turkey's current account deficit for 1977 has been variously projected at between \$2,000m and \$2.675m.

Some of the deficit is being

bridged by available foreign currency reserves; in the first four months of the year. reserves fell from just over \$1,000m to \$512m. Turkey's source of extra foreign currency has traditionally been long-term borrowing from other governments and international finance bodies, but the grace period for many of those debts is now ending, and the servicing of past borrowing alone will be costing the nation usarly \$550m a year by 4979. The total foreign debt is about \$5.000m, of which \$1,600m bas not been

projects. For deficit-financing as an energency operation to Turkey has to go either to the tide the government through to market. Its experience of international markets is still bankers have been notional markets is still bankers have been highly critical of the scheme, embryonic. In 1975 Turkey since the interest rates are borrowed \$150m commercially to finance a joint oil wineling. re finance a joint oil pipeline with Iraq. Since then three more loans, totalling \$325m have been negotiated. A stop-gap measure

introduced in May 1975 in the form of convertible Turkish lim foreign exchange at approved Turkish banks the carrot of in the fear that the central bank interest rates 1.75 per cent will be slow in honouring impove Euromarket and a porters' short-term letters of bank guarante egainst. any devaluation of the Turkish lira. The scheme had annacted \$1,700m by the end of last year. but it was short-term money at high interest, refundable on demand, and made more expensive by downward adjustments to the Turkish lire.

In March this year, in an attempt to attract longer-term CLAs, the central bank offered even higher spreads of up to 2.25 per cent for five-year deposits, descending to 0.75 per cont for three-month accounts. The bank's success in switching deposits to longer terms will not be measurable for some time. Most loans from govern- although first responses are ments, the World Bank, the encouraging.

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Moreover, the system has led to unauthorized soliciting for loans and under-the-counter paydeposit accounts (CLAs). The ments by Turkish borrowers, CLA offered depositors of beyond the control of the banks. There is some substance then

hardly likely to default on actual loans. Yet foreign bankers and international finance bodies are known to be hesitant about any financia commitment in Turkey at least until they see what kind of government the election has brought. Meanwhile, the im-parties themselves, in the preelection climate of doubt, with a scent of severation in the pir, have been clamouring for import licences to build un their stocks; the control bank is besieged on bath sides.

The curbor is on the staff of the Middle East Economic





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Slush search----

One of the executives now conducting British Leyland's inducting stries Leyland's inouiry into the Daily Mail
"slush fund" allegations is
known by the rather sinister
title of "The Liquidator".
Percy Piant, 45, newly
promoted company secretary,
won that label from the Spanish.

press. As managing director of the loss-making Leyland-Authi he presided at the closure of the Pamplona assembly plant and its subsequent sale to Sear, the state-controlled Spanish motor group in which Fiat has a

large holding.

But Plant, probably the most experienced international executive has been called far worse. Two years ago he was appointed theirman and managing director of the Italian subsidiary Leyland Innocenti, and again given the unenviable task of shuming it down and finding a

After months of bitter opposition from the Italian unions he eventually sold it to the Argentinian financier and entre Paulo and Cleveland, Ohio.
But nat before he had been headlined as "The Burcher of Milan". Feelings ran so highone of his Italian managers was shot in the leg—that armed bodynards were hired to accompany him 24 hours a day. Plent began his business rareer as an audit manager with Deloites and spent

quite preapred to give it a Later as a finance executive trial." While not an enthusiast with Pepsi International he of workers directors in private spent some time in Montevideo. spent some time in Montevideo and Johannesburg. He joined Leyland in 1970 as assistant, controller of the company.



Competitive

The man who will head the new competition policy direc-torate being created by the Office of Fair Trading is Neil Burton, who until the fusing of two existing divisions was the director in charge of the OFT's restrictive trade practices division.

Burton is 47 and has been with the OFT for nearly two years. He joined as assistant secretary in the restrictive practices department and quickly moved up the promotional

He has spent his entire career, since leaving Oxford in the Civil Service, taking in the Ministry of Supply, the Ministry th an experiment. vareer as an audit manager try of Agriculture and the Civil-ed it cory interest, with Deloities and spent Service Department. Immedi-ter regardly. "I am periods in Rio de Janeiro, Sao ately before joining the OFT he

this has been underlined by the worked as an assistant secretary at the Price Commission, dealing with the fresh food sector. The new division which Burton will head brings rogether

Burion will head brings together his old empire of restrictive practices and the monopolies and mergers division. Of the restrictive practices division he said yesterday that it was probably the most mysterious part of the OFT organization, mainly because of the long time-scale involved and because its investigations, quickly become subjudice.

He and his colleagues are planning a big offensive aimed at tracking down the many restrictive trade agreements which they believe still exist and which have so far not been placed on the record. The trade press, local authorities and the Monopolies and Mergers Commission, he said, have all proved useful sources for starting investigations.

Going up?

City speculation that Rocco Forte is preparing for a further move up the Trust Houses Forte . executive ladder has been heightened by his appearance at the offices of various stockbrokers concerned with THF's

Rocco, the only on of 68-year-old Sir Charles Forte, is personated director. He has, however, been able to spare time from the various industrial disputes which are troubling his department to visit City haurs where personnel directors are

not normally seen. He has always naturally been thought of as Sir Charles's heir

forays.

Rocco Forte, a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales since 1973, is 32 and already a man of several parts. He is, for instance, a fencer of some repute, a sport in which he indulged with much embusi-

asm when at school at Down-side. It was while he was there that he no doubt learns the personnel touch. Most weeks two buge parcels would arrive for him crammed with diverse con-fectionery, which only a boy of Billy Bunter's dedication could bave hoped to manage singlebanded. There were fruntic scenes as he distributed his bounty to the hungry bordes hanging about the house com-

in top league The British National Oil

Corporation's first report and accounts published yesterday makes it clear that the corporation is in the top levels of state-owned industries as far as board salaries go.
Although Lord Kearton the chairman who is a former chief of Courtaulds, has de-

clined to accept a salary on the grounds that it would nearly all be swallowed in tax anyway, the accounts show that he would have earned £28,350. This matches the £28,000 reportedly paid to Sir Charles Villiers, chairman of the British Steel Corporation and compares favourably with the

£23,330 going to Bill Barlow the Post Office's chairman elect, and the £23,100 paid to Peter Parker, chairman of British

Dearer money fears clip back equities and gilts

ing phase to finish the day close to their overnight levels.

The FT Index, 5.5 up at 10 am on "bear" closing, quickly lost ground as the interest dried up and by 3 pm stood just 0.1 ahead. A little late demand took it back up to 448.5, a net gain of one coint. gain of one point on the day.

By contrast, gilts had a much more active session but the general pattern was similar. Concern that this week may see the start of an upturn in in-terest rates meant that early gains were quickly reversed.

Specifically upset by Monday's unexpected £800m "tap"

some short dates dipped up to three-quarters of a point. At worst "mediums and "longs" were half a point lower and the new variable rule bond closed at £98 5-16 after stock had been

With half an eye on a falling gilt market equities reacted from a firm, if technical, opening phase to finish the day close

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Suddenly prospects for the county market look much shorter-term aspirations.

Pressing the view that 477 on the index may well prove to be the upper limit of the market's shorter-term aspirations.

212p. Other leaders were naries of rowly mixed, though Fisons at 33p after figures and BICC shorter term aspirations. equity market look much bleaker. The forthcoming plac-

> After last year's "dry well" scare things look much brighter at Carless, Capel, the hydrocarbon rejiner due to report full-year figures today. Analysts are looking for profits of £2.8m, against £2.4m, reinforced by the cash from the sale of by the cash from the sale of part of its North Sea interest to BP. The shares were steady

short "tap" will take a large slice of institutional funds and previous assumptions of a general return to the equity market do not now look as valid as they were.

ing of EP shares and the new

Interest rates apart, the tradi-tionally slack high summer period is not fee away and there is a widely held City view that it may be quickly followed by an October election as the Lib-Lab pact finally crumbles.

None of this augurs well for the coming months. Unlikely as it seemed a few weeks ago the old "sell in May and go away" adage may, after all, prove to be not far wide of the mark. Among the leading industrial

shares most interest centred on final figures from Reed Interrevious assumptions of a end of the range of expectateneral return to the equity tions. The shares, though,
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moved in a narrow range between 213p and 210p before
Many dealers are now ex-

A spate of rights issues were spread among the motor and engineering sectors. Foremost' was a f6m-plus cell from BSG International, which closed a penny better at 31!p on the dividend increase. Others in the market were motor distributor
Dutton-Forshaw, up 2p to 38p,
Warne Wright, steady at 39p,
Aurora, also unmoved at 83p,
and Camford Engineering which eased a penny to 48!p.

In bids Fodens gained a point to 44p after the formal document from Rods-Royce and terms from Singlo brought a gain of 7p to 90p to Purbeck, the plantation group.

With the Drax situation in the background both GEC at 183p and Reyrolle Parsons at

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At 192p. up 2p yesterday, de Zoete & Bevun helieves there is a lot more steam in Rank Organisation. A large surge in Xerox muchine sales, currency movements and a strong re-covery in non-Xerox activities will boost profits which, the the shares scope to outperform the Index by a further 20 per cent this year, Given a reason-ably strong market, a price of 300p is the turget for 1977.

"Bear" closing brought a strong rise of 5p to 188p for AP Cement while some specu-

shares 2p to the good at 61p. Ahead of figures Grand Metropolitan firmed a point to 78p.

Over in a generally firm property sector disappointing figures from Percy Bilton lowered the shares 10p to 145p but a belated response to the Tees Storage sale had Hay's where the shared at 124p. Wharf 2p alread at 134p.

Small demand inspired 3p rises at Land Securities 180p and Haslemere 193p with Stock

Conversion closing 4p up to

After trading statements Hill Samuel 1p m 31p and Charter-house 2p to 54p lost ground in the banking sector. After the strength which stemmed from its capital plans Forminster succumbed to profit taking and lost 4p to 124p.

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By Ray Maughan

A pre-tax profits rise of barely a tenth to £3,58m from the Charterhouse Group at the halfway stage was clearly taken as a disappointment and the shares dropped 2p yesterday to 54p. But for this broadly-based industrial and financial group there is a strong argument for an acceleration in the second

The problem in the first half was the manufacturing division, scarcely surprising since the Charcon construction interests probably lost around £500,000 to the face of Government in the face of Government spending cuts and a wet winter. Charcon should be back at break-even by September, however, and Alenco should improve after around £1m write-offs, taken below the line, on the closure of French interests. Manufacturing profits dropped by over 50 per cent to £14m.

Banking progress is naturally obscured by transfers to inner reserve although disclosed operating profits improved by a useful £200,000 to £727,000, and the Glanvill Enthoyen in-surance broking businesses also enjoyed a worthwhile advance from £964,000 to £1.35m. Development capital's contribution was £60,000 down to £1.29m as a result of problems in Canada but the United Kingdom and United States activities. were both ahead. Currently, Mr John Vaughan, chairman, who hands over to Mr Nigel Mobbs at the end of this month) reports "good opportunities for minority investments in private companies are becoming more. companies are becoming more apparent both in Britain and the United States".



Mr John Vaughan,

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Jenks, Cattell (1) Kelsey Ind (1)	3.22(2.53) 7.38(5.29) 3.5(2.6)	0.0\$(0.02) 0.9\$(0.62) 0.23(0.18)	11.96(7.48)	0.62(0.56¢) 1.25(1.0) 1.25(1.06)	15,7 15,7 1 7	-(1.29‡) (2.89) 2.32(2.13)
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Nihn Foods (1)	4.7(4.1) 110.0(98.3) 70.5(66.1)	0.27(0.19) 7.0(5.8) 2.86(2.46)	4.3(3.8) 4.47(3.6) 14.7(7.6)	0.6(0.5) 1.0(1.0) 2.76(3.52)	26 · 8 27 · 7	(1.62) (2.78) 4.06(2.52)
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UKO Int (F)	33.7(28.0)	4.1(3.3) 0.02(0.01)	17.9(13.7)	5.33(2.8) 0.4(0.35)	12/8 11.7	8.0(4.2) 1.2*(1.05)

Dividends in this table are shown not of tax on pence per share. Elsewhere in Business News dividends are shown on a gross basis. To establish gross multiply the net dividend by 1.54. Profits are shown pre-tax, and earnings are net. *Forecast. †After tax. ‡Adjusted for scrip.

Boustead Limited

	Year 20 (4.12.70 (1.00)	Year to Gurzans Lincols
Turnover	23,654	19.053
Pre-tax profit	1,546	909
Attributable profit	704	7.7
Earnings per share	3.11p	0.95p
Dividend payable per shar	е 1.50р	0.467

Boustead Limited operates as an overseas trader primarily in the Far East, Australasia and the United Kingdom. The diversity and geographical spread of the Group provide opportunity for expansion both at home and overseus.

Points from the Chairman's Review :--

- * The Group had a successful year. Profits increased by 70 per cent and earnings more than tripled from last year.
- * The company received Treasury exemption from the current limitations on dividends, for so long as the pattern of trading profit and operating assets remains unchanged.
- * Income from the Group's overseas operations



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cent. in relation to dividends paid during any year after 1972.

Tender may be obtained from:-

UKO Int at peak for 11th year

Celebrating its escape from the unwelcome approach of Pilkington Brothers, UKO International yesterday announced its eleventh successive year of

profits growth. Pre-tax profits from the world's second largest manufacturer of ophthalmic glass lenses were 26 per cent higher at £4.17m in the year to March 31, slightly better than the out-turn predicted in the defence document against the Pilking-

Thanks partly to the change from a cost-plus pricing basis on the 50 per cent of its sales to the National Health Service along with further growth overseas, margins have improved again on the ophthalmic side taking profits here up from £2.78m to £3.33m on only a 15 per cent rise in sales, two-thirds of which was volume

side, which supplies kirchen catering trades, also showed its

Application has been made to the Council of The Stock Exchange for the undermentioned Stock to be admitted

Mid Southern Water

Company

(Incorporated in England on the 27th July, 1893 by the Frimley and Farnborough Dishicl Waler Act 1893.)

OFFER FOR SALE BY TENDER OF

£5,000,000

8 per cent. Redeemable Preference Stock, 1982 (which will mature for redemption at par on 30th June, 1982)

Minimum Price of Issue—£99 per £100 Stock

yielding at that price, together with the associated lax credit at the current rate, £12.43 per cent. This Stock is an investment authorised by Section 1 of the Trustee Investments Act, 1961 and by

paragraph 10 (as amended in its application to the Company) of Part II of the First Schedule thereto. Under that paragraph, the required rate of dividend on the Ordinary Capital of the Company was 4 per

cent. but, by the Trustee Investments (Water Companies) Order, 1973, such rate was reduced to 2,5 per

The preferential dividends on this Stock will be at the rate of 8 per cent, per annum without deduction of tax. Under the imputation tax system, the associated tax credit at the current rate of Advance Corporation Tax (35/65ths of the distribution) is equal to a rate of 4 4/13 per cent, per annum.

envelope to Deloitte & Co., New Issues Department, P.O. Box 207, 128, Queen Victoria Street, London EC4P 4JX marked "Tender for Mid Southern Water Stock", so as to be received not later than 11 a.m. on Thursday, 9th June, 1977. The balance of the purchase money is to be paid on or before 30th June, 1977.

STATUTORY AND GENERAL INFORMATION The Company was incorporated by special Act of Parliament in 1893, and now supplies water in an area of approximately 580 square miles in parts of Berkshire, Hampshire, Surrey and Sussex to a population of approximately 600,000. In addition, large supplies of water are afforded under agreements to various Government Establishments. The length of trunk and service mains is some 2,300 miles and

The present issue is being made to provide for the redemption at par, on 30th June, 1977, of £1,500,000 7 per cent. (formerly 10 per cent.) Redeemable Preference Stock. 1977, in accordance with its original

Copies of the Prospectus, on the terms of which alone Tenders will be considered, and Forms of

terms of issue and to provide funds for capital expenditure incurred or to be incurred on new works, trunk

mains and extensions of mains, necessary to meet the increasing demand for water. The Company's

programme of capital expenditure is a continuing one, and further capital will be raised as and when

Saymour, Pierce & Co., 10, Old Jewry, London, EC2R 8EA. Barclays Bank Limited, 65, High Street, Camberley, Surrey GU15 3RQ.

or from the Offices of the Company at Frimley Green, Camberley, Surrey GU16 6HZ.

the average daily quantity of water supplied by the Company is 35 million gallons.

Tenders for the Stock must be made on the Form of Tender supplied with the Prospectus and must be accompanied by a deposit of £10 per £100 nominal amount of Stock applied for and sent in a sealed

By Ashley Druker
Falling 23 per cent at mid-term, a near fourfold increase from associates helped push up pre-tax profits of Eastern Pro-duce (Holdings) by 58 per cent in the year to December 31 last. This was in spite of much lower turnover, down from £20.3m to 14.7m. Associates, however, chipped in with £15.7m compared with £408.000 to bring the pre-tax total up from £1.63m. to £2.58m. At the net, raised from £798.000 to £1.17m, extra-ordinary items added some £558.000 which compare with a deduction of some £3.26m in 1975. Earnings a share, basic, increased from 8.6p to 12.7p and the net asset value a share based on the market value at 77p. But there is again no divi-dend due to a deficit of reserves. Good news for share-holders is that this deficit should be fully recouped during 1977.

Following the company obtaining representation on the in which it has a 345 per cent shareholding. AF's results have been associated from February 19, 1976, to September 30, 1976. The net additional profit after tax as a result of this association works out at £192.000. The group comparative profits after group comparative profits after tax also include about £563,000 attributable to the chief South African subsidiary sold during the year. The comparative figures have also been adjusted to exclude a deferred tax charge of £97,000 following a change in accounting policy.

The major write-off in £975 of £3.26m was occasioned by its inability to consolidate the

inability to consolidate the accounts of Robert Hudson & Sons (Pty) because of the politi-

In the whole of 1975 pre-tax profits sank from a record £2.49m to £1.62m. To reach paces with profits three fifths even that level the second-half higher at £833,000 and now accounts for 20 per cent of pretax profit against 16 per cent cent of the contribution in the last year.

ABRIDGED PARTICULARS

Northern confident as growth slackens

There is nothing in the figures from Northern Foods for the six months to March 31 to interest shareholders in Fox's Biscuits, now on the receiving end of a 130p a share cash bid from Northern. Fox's have already rejected the offer.

What they do show is that Northern is slowing down. But after the 61 per cent jump in

Turnover rose from £98.5m to £110.1m and pre-tax profits climbed from £5.84m to £7.04m. So artributable profits went ahead from £2.7m to £3.38m and ordinary dividends absorbed only £777,000. The snag is that the interim dividend itself stays at 1.54p gross. Earnings a share were 4.47p against 3.60p.

Northern is slowing down. But after the 61 per cent jump in pre-tax profits in the year to last September a slackening to to per cent growth is not perhaps too tragic. It is even less so compared with a sales gain of less than 12 per cent.

Turnover race from 5000.

in a jump in investment income from £156,000 to £479,000, and in a rise in interest on borrow-ings from £460,000 to £643,000. The forecast for the second

six months is simply for an increase over the same months the year before. Obviously a lot depends on the summer. Mean-

Camford Engineering in cash call for £1.7m

The directors of Camfood facturers. So the group will Engineering think that it is have to spend around £3m on time for a further cash call on new capacity to deliver the shareholders. The last one was goods; about this time two years ago. The latest call is for \$1.7m through the issue of new shares on a one for three basis at 420

The existing shares shed 3p to 48p as well they might considering that the Issue gives little away in terms of discount. Nor is there anything much in the way of a dividend sweetner. For this year to next September the gross dividend is to go up by just 4.8 per cent to 5.4p a

share. Camford is a good company negotiated several big contracts to supply commercial and specialized vehicle components to large United Kingdom manuCamford is also thinking

about buying the freehold re-version of its premises at Bourn in Cambridgeshirs now leased at a rent of £110,000 a year. If a deal is done a lot more capital spending would be needed, to be financed by another medium term loan.

medium term loan.

Barcleys Merchant Bank has underwritten the Issue which arrives along with news they pre-tax profits in the six months to March 31 were 1708,000 against 1594,000 in the same months of the year before.

and not just a money swallower. The directors indicate that it explains that it has recently for the full year profits should climb from £1.27m to ex least £1.5m. The group came to market in 1972 with profits of £600,000.

Francis Ind gets off to By Our Financial Staff good start

By Desmond Quigley
Pre-tax profits of Francis Industries were running at more than £300,000 in the first quarter of the current year, compared with more than £250,000 in the same period. Mr D. M. Sandy Saunders, chairman, rold the annual meet-

ing yesterday Sales in April, he said were comfortably shead of budget and more than 25 per cent higher than the same month last year. Current performance indicated a useful addition to last year's profits, which amounted to £1.33m pre-tax. Since the year end bank overdrafts had been cut to under tim while the total group deby Elm while the total group debt represented no more than 35 per cent of total funds em-

played, he commented.

Following the recent share placing, Mr Sounders said that over 50 per cent of the company's issued shares were held by leading institutions and he hoped that this would soon allow the stock market to reflect the continuing improve-ment in the company's profits.

Allegation on Penrad

The Secretary of State for Wales, Mr John Morris, was accused yesterday of "abysmalignorance and lack of concern for taxpayers' money for which he is directly responsible in connection with the injections of Government funds into Penrad, the Glamorgan-based radiator manufacturer. The accusation came from Mr

Robert Taylor, Conservative MP for North-West Croydon, Speaking in his constituency last night he said that the Secretary of State had invested £400,000 in Penrad and added that "at the beginning of last week the company asked the Midland Bank to appoint a receiver, but three days later

receiver, but three days later the Secretary of State informed me by way of answer to a Parliamentary Question that he estimated the current value of this investment to be £533,000.

"Not only can he not have been informed of the appointment of the receiver", Mr Taylor went on, "but he can hardly have bothered to keep himself informed of the progress of the investment since the day he glibly handed over the money."

Business appointments

Standard Chartered post

Mr Ansell Egerton, a director of J. Henry Schroder Wagg & Co, has been appointed managing director of Standard Chartered Merchant Bank with effect from July, 1977, when he will resign from the board of Schroder Wagg, Mr Egerton is a former Economics Editor of The Times.

Massec I Achworth, S. Burns. Messrs L. Ashworth, S. Burns, G. L. Carswell, M. J. Milner, E. P. McTighe and A. N. Whiting have been elected to the board of Davy International. Id addition, Mr P. W. Robinson has been made a per executive director of the comnon-executive director of the com-pany. Mr E. P. McTighe and Mr P. W. Robinson are managing director and non-executive chairdirector and non-executive chairman respectively of the recently acquired Herbert Morris.

Mr Brian K. Fitton, gr managing director of Birmid Qualcast has additionally become group deputy chairman. Mr F. T. Davies, chairman, Birmid Qualcast Foundries Division is now additionally assistant group managing director. Mr P. J. Prateley, managing director, Birmid Qualcast Home & Garden Equipment Division, is the new chairman of that division in

new chairman of that division in succession to Mr H. Clarke, who relinquishes that office but who

will remain a member of the parent company board until his retirement on October 31, 1977. Mr A. L. Emson, formerly group chief accountant, goes to main board as group financial director, and Mr A. W. Galbraith, secretary, becomes group administration controller. Mr W. P. Miller and Mr P. J. H. Grierson have been appointed to the board of Gallaher. Mr Leonard T. Percival is to

Ornigerican mark deposit and foreign exchange brokers Guy Eatler (International).

Arr H. J. Blackboro, chairman and managing director of Fisons, Australia, has been made an associate director of the main board of the group. This appointment is in addition to his Australian responsibilities, which he has beid since 1969.

Mr D. H. Griffith is to join the board of Everards Brewery and Mr E L. Butler will cease to be a member of the board on June 8.

Mr D. T. Hills and Mr W. J. Dangerfield have been made dir-

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of Norwest Holst, and civil engineers, thich is challenging ment of Trade's ment of Trade's length of investigate its hout saying why, lent to £70.5m over March 31. Mr Ted hief executive says encouraging in a arket.

The South African subsidiary, Hill shares to 81p, the dividend has been increased by the maximum m 6.57p gross.

The South African difficulties show through in the merchant banking profits which were down from £5.44m to £4.9m. Within that total, banking profits which were down from £5.44m to £4.9m. Within that total, banking profits after minority interests and contingency transfers show in contingency transfers and contingency transfers show through in the merchant banking profits after minority interests and contingency transfers show the consolidated accounts is also marked, cutting the consolidated accounts in the standard profits after minority interests and contingency transfers show in the balance sheet total by some £300m. In consequence gross against an adjusted £986m a year ago.

The growth in the balance sheet is, in any case, more apparent, than real, largely representing exchange rate of fluctuations.

against an adjusted 1966m a year ago.

The growth in the balance-sheet is, in any case, more apparent, than real, largely representing exchange rate fluctuations. Broadly, the volume of business has shown little change, although the bank is more liquid than it was a year ago:

to £501,000.

As recently revealed, net profits of Hill Samuel (SÅ) fell R2.3m to R1.49m as a result of bad debt provisions arising from the group's involvement in Glen Anil, a property company now in liquidation. Hill Samuel is understood to have written off hetmen Plan and in Glen Anil, a property company now in liquidation. Hill Samuel is understood to have written off between Rim and R1.5m.

However, the impact on the group as a whole has been reduced by a strong performance from the insurance and shipping interests, profits rising from £2.59m to £3.04m.

The group has changed its accounting treatment in respect.

Year age:

The disappointing profit picture is salvaged somewhat by an extraordinary profit of £821,000, comprising an exchange rate gain of £235,000 (compared with a loss of £131,000 the year before) after transfer of £1.75m to banking reserve for contingency, and £586,000 which chiefly arises accounting treatment in respect.

Hill Samuel is progressively

50 years ego, says that but for a provision against housing losses amounting to over £500,000 the group would indeed have per-

formed as the market hoped. As it is, he has been reorganizing the division and this should be

reflected in the group's results Mr Bilton reverted to being both chairman and managing director in December after Mr Bryn Turner-Samuels retired as

Brya Turner-Samuels retired as managing director and deputy chairman. He is always conservative in his forecasting and regards the results as only a temporary check.

At half time, pre-tax profits rose from £2.3m to £2.5m, with 61 per cent coming from property investment, 16 per cent from industrial and residential development and 23 per cent from contracting and other



Sir Kenneth Keith, of Hill Samuel Group

disengaging from its present involvement in shipowning, on which it made a pre-tax loss last year of £530,000. Following this disposal it retains three vessels in the 20,000-24,000 dwt category which are presently trading in the spot market.

As a result of the new proposals on deferred tax account ing, the group's net worth of f68m would have been increased by about £9m. In addition there are about £30m of long-term loans.

Elson goes ahead on all fronts By Tony May Although it is now pulling sarnings a share figure from round, troubles on the housing \$2p to 8.6p, side came near to spoiling the side came near to spoiling the The group's chairman Mr 10-year unbroken chain of Percy Bilton, who founded it record profits at Percy Bilton, 50 years ego, says that but for a the "biue chip" property in provision against housing losses vestment, development and civil amounting to over £500,000, the engineering group. As it is the

Margins are nerrowing at Elson & Robbins, in PVC foam, spring units, products for the domestic appliance industry as well as partirioning and hearing sud ventilating lines. That said, everything else is going up.

In the six months to March
31 turnover climbed 28 per cent from £5.1m to £6.54m, levering pre-tax profits by 171 per cent to £758,976.

Mr Eric Keeling, cheirman, reports that sales of all companies in the group went shead spearbeaded as expected by the Domestic Industrial Pressings

offshoot.

It has entered the consumer products field with the "Premiere" heater for the liquid petroleum gas market. Three more heating appliances will be launched this year. Understandably, sales and profits this year should be new records.

cluded relief for industrial 61 per cent coming from pro-buildings allowances, which have since bean found inednils-sable. The 1975 tax charge has been increased by £235,000, and retained profits reduced by an equivalent amount. This has profits dip 7 per cent to £2.5m. Up, finally goes the interim dividend from 1.69p gross to

Rights from **Dutton** and **BSG** Int to raise £4.8m By Nicholas Hirst

Two garage companies, Durton-Forshaw and BSG Internacional, both came to the market with rights issue yesterday, BSG Forshaw for £2.0m. BSG International is also

improving its balance sheet further by a suggestion mentioned in these columns of improving the conversion terms of the 10½ per cent loan stock. two-for-five at 30p, compared with a market price of 38p, up 2p yesterday. A dividend of 4.25p gross is forecast for the

current year, to give an ex-rights yield of 11.9 per cent. The proceeds will be used for expansion both at home and abroad and to maintain a suitable balance between permanent, long-term and short-term funds. The rights issue, which is underwreten, will need an increase in capital for which there will be a shareholders' meeting on June 16.

The BSG rights is a one-forfour at 23p and the dividend for the current year is to be increased to 3.2308p gross, which with the shares up 1p ar 31to yesterday gives an ex-rights yield of 10.8 per cent. The new convertible terms are that one-half of each hold-

converted into ordinary shares on the basis of 310 shares for every £100 of stock compared with the current rate of conversion of 185 shares for each £100 of stock. The conversion in the current rate of the £100 of stock. rights on the remaining half of each holding are to be increased to 210 shares per £100 of stock and the rate of interest is to be increased to 121

The rights is being made to enable the group to benefit from the improved trading opportunities open to it and to counteract the inevitable inflationary pressures on working capital, the board says.

The effects of both the cor version and the rights will be to improve substantially the balance sheet.

When she new accounting standard on deferred tax is taken into account the yearend balance sheet of £34.2m of borrowings and £10.4m of nec-assets will be transformed into net assets of £19.3m and borrowings of £28m.

Meetings of stockholders and shareholders on June 24, the date of the annual meeting, will be held to agree the pro-

Pork Farms Limited

Year of continued growth: 81% increase in earnings.

Extracts from the Review of Mr. D. C. Samworth, reduced by £340,000 emphasising once again year to 26th February 1977.

Earnings before tax for the 52 weeks ended 26th February 1977, improved by 81% to a record figure of £1.95m. Sales amounted to £27.25m, a 25% increase and a record, not only

in cash, but also in volume. The year has been one of continued growth with further steps being taken to increase our manufacturing and distribution capacity. Without exception our factories have been running at record levels and together with certain product rationalisation this has contributed to a substantial increase in turnover.

STRONG CASH FLOW During the year a further £745,000 was repaid in respect of Long Term Loans : in addition Hire Purchase Creditors were reduced by £269,000 In spite of this considerable outflow of funds the

Bank Indebtedness at the year end had been

Chairman, and the Report and Accounts for the the strong cash flow inherent in our business. PROPERTY REVALUATION AND

DEFERRED TAXATION A revaluation of our freshold and long leasehold properties at the year end revealed a surplus of £1.06m. At the same time because of anticipated growth and capital investment we decided not to provide for deferred taxation and the previous

year's provisions have been transferred to

Shareholders' funds. GOOD START TO CURRENT YEAR

We are now beginning to reap the benefits of the large capital expenditure programme of the last three years during which we have spent approximately £3m on new production and distribution facilities. Combined with an energetic marketing policy this is producing impressive volume increases in all our product groups and earnings for the current year are expected to be substantially higher than in 1976/7 and results to date are well up to these

GROUP RESU	LTS AT A GLA	ICE
	1977	1976
	£	£ -
Turnover	27,250,082	21,728,281
Trading Profit	2,164,999	1,350,352
Profit before taxation	1,953,853	1,076,842
· Dividends (including tax credit)	128.6%	116.9%

Extracts from the statement of the Chairman, Mr. W. L. Sims OBE, on the accounts for 1976 adopted at the Annual General Meeting held on 31st May 1977.

Increase of 39% in Export Sales during 1976 New and improved designs continue to be marketed Demand in 1977 for both woodworking machinery and machine

tools is increasing Good prospects of market share improving both at home

Group turnover Profit before taxation Net profit after taxation p.per share p.per share

19.13 Earnings Dividends 11.00 Transfers to reserves

WADKIN LTD., WOODWORKING MACHINERY & MACHINE TOOLS, GREEN LANE WORKS, LEICESTER LES 4PF

'Serious loss' imminent at Sena Sugar Estates

Housing provisions

knock Percy Bilton

Gloomy tidings for shere group reports continuing strong holders of Sena Sugar Estates demand, and is looking for report in that the accounts for the year to December 31 has will show a "very serious loss". Crushing of the 1976 crop suded in early December with a production of 73,700 tonnes of sugar against the 1975 crop of 99,000 tonnes. Thus a reverse is intrinent an account of the is imminent on account of the very low outturn of sugar and high cost of production, allied with the low prices at which it has been able to sell. There is therefore no interim dividend on the ordinary and no payment for arreas of dividend on the 55 per cent comulative preference

vestment, development and civil engineering group. As it is, the market found the group's 3.5 per cent rise in pre-tax profits to £5.2m for 1976 disappointing, as it was expecting something nearer £5.7 to £5m. The shares lost 109 to 144p, where the yield is 5.9 per cent.

Turnover rises 13.6 per cent

Turnover rose 13.6 per cent to £30m, pointing to a dip in margins from 18.9 per cent to 17.2 per cent. Earnings a share are 6.3p against 8.6p, while the dividend is raised from 6.19 to 8.51p mores.

8.51p gross.
Tax previsions for 1975 in-

It was expected that the re-equipment of the Marromeu factory would be completed by May 1, 1977, but this is now unlikely before the middle of August. The increase from crog 1977, though not as great as hoped, about 101,000 toones of sugar. The results for the current year will be decendent not only on the cuantity of sugar produced but-also on the prices obtained in both the local market and for

Meantime the directors pro-pose to increase the borrowing powers from the present effec-tive limit of £19m to £29m until

Marne, Wright give 1-for-2 rights

The board of Warne, Wright & Rowland proposes a one-for-two underwritten rights issue at 32p. This compares with 39p in the market and should raise about 51m to finance working capital and the purchase of new machinery. The main aim is to improve production at the drop forge units.

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Aurora plans bumper payout and rights '

The "rights queue" is being joined by Aurora Holdings, formerly called Aurora Gear and Engineering. The board is raising £1m by a one-for-four rights at \$80 company with rights at 80p, compared with 83p in the market. The investment trust managed by Keyser Ullmann have agreed to take up their rights on their hold-ings. The balance about 84.6 per cent has been subunderwritten by the National Coal Board pension fund, the ITC pension fund and Electra Finance. The dividend for the current year should go up by about 21 per cent.

Local authorities at 93pc

The interest rate on this weeks bunch of local authority yearling bonds is 91 per cent at 100, compared with 91 per cent at 99 15/16 last week. The biggest borrowers are: Inverclyde, Oldham, Plymouth, Ren-frew, Sandwell Strathclyde and Sunderland—all with £1m. Of the longer bonds, Manchester's £1.2m over two years is the

on Fodens' takeover The financial strength of Rolls-Royce Motors will be of great assistance to Rodens to enable it to exploit the development of its markets to the full.", Mr Ian Fraser, chairman of R-RM, telis Fodens' share-holders in the document out-

Wolverhampton Breweries Wolverhampton Breweries

Results of Wolverhampton and Dudley Breweries for the six months to March 31 show a good increase, with turnover up 19.5 per cent and profit before taxation up 15 per cent against the extremely good figures achieved in the same period last year, at 22.6m against 52.65m. The directors have de-£2.26m. The directors have declared an interim dividend on the ordinary of 1.7p against 1.5p last. This will be paid on

Despite an increase on January 17 its prices remain "very competitive" and the high quality of its beers has been fully maintained. These two helped to achieve record sales well above the national average, of £19Am

against £16.2m. Many afterations and improvements to its houses have been carried out and two new houses were opened during the year to date. The new packaging plant will be in production by August and some of the in-treased brewing capacity, capacity,

Briefly

planned as part of this project, will be available in time for the Christmas trade.

KELSEY INDUSTRIES Interim 1.925p gross (1.54p).
Turnover for half year to March
31, £7.59m (£5.29m). Pre-tax profit
£981,415 (£624,157). Earnings a
share 11.95p (7.48p). Progress will
slow down but second half profit
will be at least that for same
mountainer next mouths last year.

FOURTH CITY & COMMERCIAL Board is calling a meeting of shareholders and creditors to either approve a reconstruction, or put company into liquidation.

Hawtin has not, as suggested last week, taken a stake in Albert Fisher. Mr Frank Hawtin, who heads Hawtin, has however been appointed chairman of Albert Fisher. E. D. Hollingworth & Store has been accounted. Fisher. E. D. Hollingworth Sors has been acquired as wholly owned subsidiary.

Foundations firmly laid for future growth

Points from the Statement by the Chairman The Rt. Hon. Lord Robens of Woldingham PC DCLLLD which appears in the 1976 Report and Accounts.

It is a great pleasure to report pre-tax profits for 1976 of £38,3 million, the sixth increase in successive years. Earnings per share rose from 36.2p to 40.2p. Group sales at well over £400 million were £100 million up on 1975.

Investment Programme

Last year I referred to our policy of reinvestment in our existing businesses and to acquisitions in related fields where, in aggregate, some £55 million had been expended in the years 1972 to 1975. More has been achieved in this field in 1976 and a continuation of this vigorous policy of investment and expansion is planned for 1977 and 1978.

The Operating Groups in 1976

The policy of reinvestment and of strengthening our Operating Groups can be seen to be fully justified when considering the results achieved under the difficult trading conditions encountered during

 The Engineering Group showed further substantial improvement in profits. Activities in Australia and Canada made valuable profit contributions.

 Another creditable performance from the Shipbuilding Group demonstrated again that this business has consistently been strong and profitable.

 In a most difficult year for the office equipment market Roneo Vickers results were lower. However, following reorganisation, the Group is now well placed to take advantage of any recovery in demand.

Consolidated Profit and Loss Account for the year ended 31st December 1976.

		£1000	£ 000
	Sales	424,234	324,904
	Consolidated profit		
	before taxation	17,403	18.674
	Share of profits of		
	associated companies	20.896	15.580
	Profit before taxation	38,299	34.254
	Taxation	19,160	16,567
	Profit after taxation	19,139	17,6\$7
	Minority shareholders'	4 6 4	4 450
	interest	1,194	1,492
	Stockholders' profit		•
	before extraordinary		
•	items-	17.945	16,195
	Extraordinary items	(1,767)	611
	Stockholders' profit	16,178	16.806
	Dividends	4,222	3.872
	Profit retained	11.956	12,934
	Earnings per £1		<u> </u>
	Ordinary Stock before		
	extraordinary items	-40.2p	36.2p

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 Howson-Algraphy, assisted by the substantial capital investment in recent years; reported record trading profits.

• In the Offshore Engineering Group, the high cost of innovation, the development of new techniques and exceptionally good weather conditions in the North Sea, which reduced the demand for Vickers Oceanics specialised services, all played a

part in reducing profit levels during 1976.

Copies of the Report and Accounts 1976 have been posted to Stockholders of The 110th Annual General Meeting of Vickers Limited will be held on the 23rd June 1977 at Milibank Tower, London SWI.
VICKERS LIMITED, VICKERS HOUSE, MILLBANK, LONDON SWI P 4RA

Looking to the Future

I have already summarised the prospects of the principal activities and I have stressed the planning and investment which has been undertaken in advance of nationalisation to secure our long-term

I do believe that we have aiready done a great deal to lay firm foundations for future growth and that we have a strong management team, capable of building a sound and profitable business on these foundations.

We are engaged in the business of wealth creation by the making and selling of goods and engineering services. Our success ··· nationally and internationally is vitally dependent upon skilled tradesmen, designers, technicians, engineers, scientists, salesmen and managers. Such people have been discouraged by the erosion of pay differentials and the consequent lack of incentives. This problem must be recognised and corrected before the nation can expect the wealth producers to create the larger cake which is the pre-requisite of bigger slices. Government policy and actions must provide for this together with a continued anti-inflation policy and a sensible approach to industrial relations, if we are to succeed quickly. ROBENS



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MARKET REPORTS

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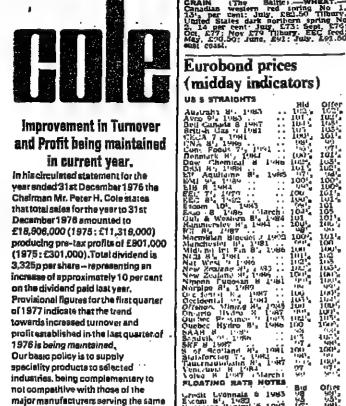
\$1LVER was sterify Bulling market (ricing breds).—Spot. 255.40p a troy ounce (United States cents equivalent, 456.1). Three months. 271.40p (450.50); skx months, 1271.40p (450.50); skx months, 1271.40p; soron months, 1240-Hp Sales, 71 lots of 10,100 frey ounces each (mainly carries). Monthing.—Cash, 251.6p, 1.8p, three months, 1270.8-71 Op; savon months 274.6-80.5n, Settlement, 264.5p, Sales, 50 lots emainly carries).

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Bank Base Rates

Barclays Bank 81% Consolidated Crots 81% First London Secs 81% C. Hoare & Co .. #83 % Lloyds Bank 8! " Midland Bank 810 Nat Westminster .. 81 . Rossminster Accs' 81% Shenley Trust ... 111% Williams & Glyn's 81% * 7 day deposits on sums of £10,000 and under, 4%, up to £25,000, 5%, over £13,000, 5%,

Manufacturing and marketing of plastics, chemicals, electronics and equipment



Improvement in Turnover and Profit being maintained in current year.

in his circulated statement for the

year anded 31st December 1976 the Chairman Mr. Peter H. Cole states that total sales for the year to 31 st December 1976 amounted to £18,906,000 (1975: £11,318,000) producing pre-tax profits of £901,000 (1975 : £301,000).Total dividend is 3,325p per share -- representing an increase of approximately 10 per cant on the dividend paid last year, Provisional figures for the first quarter of 1977 indicate that the trend towards increased turnover and profit established in the last quartet of 1976 is being maintained. Our basic policy is to supply speciality products to selected industries, being complementary to not competitive with those of the major manufacturers serving the same industries. Overall market acceptance of our products has been established and is confirmed by the continuing growth in tumover. Allowing for the vagaries of 1975. believe that the results achieved since 1972 provide a sound basis from which to proceed with the next stag of our development. The Milton Keynes project, is the first step in this direction and the expenditure of the substantial sums involved railects the confidence of your directors in the future prosperity of the Group.

R.H. COLE LIMITED

Copies of the full Statement and the Report and Accounts are available on application to: The Secretary, 7/15 Lansdowne Road Craydon CR9 2HB.

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TRUST LTD. Capital Loss Slock Valuation The net asset value per £1 Cepital Loen Stock is 36,18p.

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Announcement

The Agricultural Mortgage Corporation Limited announce that with effect from 1st June, 1977

the rate of interest for **EXISTING VARIABLE RATE LOANS**

will be

This rate will remain in force until the next review date which will be :-

(a) 1st September 1977

for borrowers whose loans are reviewable quarterly (b) 1st December 1977 for borrowers whose loans are reviewable half-yearly Until turther notice, the rate of interest which will apply to new variable rate loans will also be 12%

For full details of this loan facility and other AMC Farm Loan Services, please contact The Agricultural Mortgage Corporation Limited Bucklersbury House, 3 Queen Victoria Street London EC-IN 8DU. Tel. 01-248 6711

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pursover in year to March 31.
£17.54m (£14m). Pre-tax profit
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12.86p (\$.23p). Final 1.895p. making 2.4p det, or 3.7p gross (3.34p). COMPANY PROFITS

COMPANY PROFITS

Pre-tax profits of 344 British
companies in Extel service during
May aggregated 52,019.7m
(£1,353.1m in the previous year).
Pre-tax profits of 977 British companies during five mouths to May
31 aggregated £9,968.5m
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of British Vending Industries, fold
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Business 'id sterling was mainly of a technical nature yesterday as London and overseas brokers squared up end of month positions. The pound nevertheless was able to benefit from these operations closing with a 14 point gain at \$1.7188 against the pound, compared with \$1.7174 overnight.

With most of the important pared with \$1.7174 overnight.

With most of the important currency centres closed on Monday there was an acuse shortage of sterling yesterday and with dealers finding it expensive the rate swiftly moved ahead. Initially the pound had dipped to \$1.7156 following a fairly large commercial Far Eastern selling order, but this was swiftly absorbed.

Sterling's effective exchange rate index stayed unaltered at 61.6.

Gold closed at a three-month low of \$143.125 an ounce in London. This was \$1 down on yesterday's close. The thin market was put down to nerves ahead of today's IMF auction.

Spot Position of Sterling

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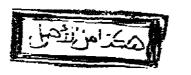
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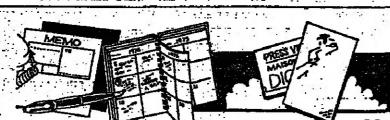
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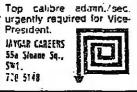
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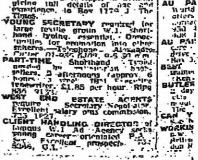
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